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NOTICE

This is the new Daily Digest, published as a part of the daily *Congressional Record*, as authorized by Public Law 601 of the Seventy-ninth Congress. The launching of the Digest was necessarily delayed until March 17, hence the first issue gives a résumé of legislative activity from January 2 through March 17.

Daily Digest

Monday, March 17, 1947

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate debated portal-to-portal pay bill; House passed rubber and Consent Calendar bills.

Appropriation group met on Government fiscal matters.

Rubber subcommittee appointed.

Government officials testified on housing and rent control.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 2102-2110.

BILLS INTRODUCED

Nineteen bills and resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 907-S. 923, inclusive, S. J. Res. 89, and S. Con. Res. 9.

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BILLS REPORTED

Four bills were reported, as follows: S. 918, to establish Office of Selective Service Records and to preserve Selective Service records (S. Rept. 53), by Committee on Armed Services; H. R. 731, to establish Theodore Roosevelt National Park, etc., with amendments (S. Rept. 54), by Committee on Public Lands; S. J. Res. 45, to rename Boulder Dam as Hoover Dam, with amendments (S. Rept. 55), by Committee on Public Lands; S. 214, to change name of irrigation project in Oklahoma (S. Rept. 56), by Committee on Public Lands; minority views were filed on H. R. 2157, portal-to-portal-pay bill as a part of S. Rept. 48.

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BILLS SENT TO PRESIDENT

S. 220, authorizing Secretary of the Navy to grant easement to the American Telephone and Telegraph Company; and S. 221, authorizing Secretary of the Navy to grant easement to the Virginia Electric Power Company.

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EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATION

Letter from Comptroller General transmitting audit report of Tennessee Valley Authority for fiscal year ending June 30, 1945.

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PORTAL-TO-PORTAL PAY SUITS

The Senate debated H. R. 2157, to relieve employers from liability for portal-to-portal-pay suits. Most of the afternoon session was consumed by Senator Donnell, chairman of the Judiciary Subcommittee which conducted the hearings, giving the position and views of the subcommittee. One amendment by Senator Wherry and two by Senator Holland were submitted, intended to be proposed as amendments to H. R. 2157, at a later date; they were ordered to lie on the table and to be printed.

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PROFIT SHARING

Senate agreed to S. Con. Res. 9, to print 1,000 copies of S. Rept. 610 of the 76th Congress, relating to profit sharing and incentive taxation.

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HOUSING

At the request of Senator Tobey, a previous order directing printing of a document relative to housing bill in the 79th Congress was canceled.

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NOMINATIONS

Senate confirmed the following nominations, and ordered the President notified: Carroll Miller as Interstate Commerce Commissioner, Harry A. McDonald as Securities and Exchange Commissioner, Henry Earl Cook as member of Board of Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, and James R. Wade as Collector of Customs, St. Louis, Mo. (District 45).

President submitted the nominations of Lieutenant General Lucius DuBignon Clay, to be General, and Major General Clarence R. Huebner, to be Lieutenant General. Nominations in the Foreign Service and Public Health Service were also submitted.

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Reports on Committee Meetings

FISCAL MATTERS—PROPERTY INVENTORIES

Committee on Appropriations: Meeting in executive session, the committee named a subcommittee to consider S. J. Res. 61, to amend the Constitution to control Government expenditures and enforce a balanced budget in peacetime. Members of the subcommittee are: Senators Ball, Ferguson, Saltonstall, Cordon, Tydings, and Bridges, ex officio as full committee chairman. The committee also discussed reports that various departments are piling up large inventories of supplies and using up unexpended funds prior to end of the fiscal year, and appointed Senators Knowland, chairman, Reed, and McKellar as members of a subcommittee to recommend a control program to the full committee.

RUBBER

Committee on Banking and Currency: The rubber subcommittee, consisting of Senators Bricker, Cain, and Robertson of Virginia, met in executive session, but made no announcement.

GOVERNMENT CAFETERIAS

Committee on Civil Service: Subcommittee on S. Res. 42, providing for an investigation of cafeterias on Govern-

ment Reservations, continued hearings. Members of the subcommittee are: Senators Baldwin, Flanders, and Johnston.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Watson Miller, Administrator of Federal Security Administration, and Elizabeth Wickenden, representing American Public Welfare Association, appeared on S. 140 and S. 712, to create a Department of Health, Education, and Welfare.

DEPORTATION

Committee on the Judiciary: This committee in executive session considered the deportations of Indonesians and heard David Munro, Workers' Defense League, in that connection. It also received reports from subcommittees on S. 560, to prohibit operation of gambling boats, and on nomination of Borinquen Marrero Rios, to be an Associate Justice of Puerto Rico Supreme Court. The committee will meet next on March 24, in executive session.

NATIONAL PARK

Committee on Public Lands: The committee ordered reported H. R. 731, to establish Theodore Roosevelt National Park, and S. 214, to change the name of an Oklahoma irrigation project.

RECORDS

Special Committee to Investigate the National Defense Program: An executive session was held by the committee relative to certain records which are desired from the War Department. The committee plans to meet with the Secretary of War in the near future on this subject.

NEWSPRINT

Special Committee to Study Problems of American Small Business: Testimony was given the committee by three newsprint dealers from New York City.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

BILLS INTRODUCED

Twenty-six public bills, H. R. 2564 to H. R. 2589, and 22 private bills, H. R. 2590 to H. R. 2611, and House resolutions, H. J. Res. 151 and H. Res. 147 were introduced.

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BILLS REPORTED

Eleven bills were reported as follows: Disposition of executive papers (Rept. Nos. 154 and 155); H. Res. 21, extending Wildlife Conservation Committee (Rept. No. 151); H. Res. 145, providing consideration of H. R. 2535, which amends the Reconstruction Finance Corporation Act. (Rept. No. 152); H. Res. 146, providing consideration on H. R. 1366, which facilitates procure-

ment of supplies and services by the War and Navy Departments (Rept. No. 153); H. R. 797, William C. Austin project (Rept. No. 156); H. R. 1344, Crosline ferry (Rept. No. 157); H. R. 2293, amending navigation regulations on Great Lakes and tributaries by act of February 8, 1895 (Rept. No. 158); H. R. 1556, providing basic authority for certain activities of Bureau of Reclamation (Rept. No. 159); H. R. 2086, furnishing steam for DAR property (Rept. No. 160); H. R. 2369, providing for suspension of annual assessment work on location claims in Alaska (Rept. No. 161).

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CONSENT CALENDAR BILLS

The House today considered and passed the following 12 bills on its Consent Calendar—

Military personnel: S. 276, providing payment and settlement of mileage and other travel allowance accounts of military personnel.

Immigration and naturalization: H. R. 1975, amending subsec. (c) of sec. 19 of the Immigration Act of 1917 and subsec. (a) of sec. 338 of Nationality Act of 1940.

Commissioned officers: H. R. 1359, amending act of Aug. 29, 1916, as amended, increasing total authorized number of commissioned officers on the active list of Corps of Civil Engineers of the Navy.

Chaplains: H. R. 1365, establishing a Chief of Chaplains in the U. S. Navy, and for other purposes.

Mines and mining: H. R. 193, amending sec. 35 of the Mineral Leasing Act of February 25, 1920, as amended.

Site transfer: H. R. 197, transferring part of block 90 and school building thereon of Petersburg town site, Alaska, used for school purposes, to the town of Petersburg, Alaska.

Park commissioner: H. R. 490, providing for appointment of a U. S. commissioner for Big Bend National Park, Tex., and for other purposes.

Park commissioner: H. R. 729, providing that U. S. Court for the Western District of Virginia shall alone appoint the U. S. commissioner for the Shenandoah National Park.

Interest reduction: H. R. 804, authorizing reduction of certain accrued interest charges payable by the Farmers' Irrigation District, North Platte project.

Naturalization proceedings: H. R. 236, amending Nationality Act of 1940, permitting naturalization proceedings to be had at places other than clerk's office or open court in the case of sick or physically disabled persons.

Stolen public property: H. R. 1998, amending sec. 48 of the Criminal Code relating to the receiving of stolen public property.

Locomotive Inspection Act: H. R. 2123, amending the Locomotive Inspection Act of Feb. 17, 1911, as amended.

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RUBBER

The Committee on Rules called up and passed H. Res. 144, which provided consideration for H. J. Res. 118, maintenance of domestic rubber industry. After consideration this joint resolution was passed and sent to the Senate.

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Reports on Committee Meetings

CROP LOANS

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee No. 3 met on H. J. Res. 38, providing for the cancellation of certain crop loans. Mr. S. P. Lindsey of the Farmers Home Administration was the only witness heard.

DEPARTMENT APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Deficiency, Agriculture, War Department and State, Justice, Commerce and Judiciary Subcommittees met in executive session and will meet again Tuesday.

AVIATION AND BOY SCOUTS

Committee on the Armed Services: Subcommittee No. 12 met and reported favorably to full committee H. R. 2247, which authorizes appointment of Major General Lawrence S. Kuter as International Civil Aviation Representative, without affecting his military status and perquisites, and H. R. 1621, to furnish aid to Boy Scouts of America in holding World Wide Jamboree in France. Subcommittee No. 8 considered H. R. 1341, but took no action.

HOUSING AND RENT CONTROL

Committee on Banking and Currency: Met in open hearing on H. R. 2549, Housing and Rent Control, and heard Government officials. The Committee will continue its hearings Tuesday at 10 a. m. in Room 1301, New House Office Building.

WAR RELIEF

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Discussed H. J. Res. 134 to provide relief to war-devastated countries. Meets Tuesday morning at 10:30 in executive session.

DEPARTMENTAL ORDERS—WARTIME POWERS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 3 heard Hon. Orie L. Phillips, Sr., Circuit Judge of the 10th Cir., Hon. Clyde B. Aitchison, Chairman of ICC, also Charles E. Cotterill, attorney, on H. R. 1468 and 1470, providing for review of certain orders of Government departments and giving U. S. Court of Appeals jurisdiction on review to enjoin, set aside, or suspend such orders.

Subcommittee No. 4 continued (and concluded) hearings on the extension of the Second War Powers Act.

Three witnesses were heard: Willard Williamson, Eldorado Oil Works, San Francisco, Calif.; Carl Anderson, Merck, Inc., Rahway, N. J.; and E. R. Metcalf, Columbian Rope Company, Auburn, N. Y.

SHIP TRANSFER

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Subcommittee No. 1 (Ship Construction and Operation) met to discuss H. R. 672, authorizing the transfer of the ship *Joseph Conrad* to the city of St. Petersburg, Fla.

POSTAL RATE INCREASE

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Met on H. R. 2408, authorizing an increase in postal rates. Officials from the Post Office Department testified.

AMENDING RECLAMATION PROJECT ACT

Committee on Public Lands: Irrigation and Reclamation Subcommittee discussed the following bills: H. R. 1772, H. R. 1886, and H. R. 1977, all dealing with amending the Reclamation Project Act of 1939.

RULES

Committee on Rules: Reported H. Res. 145 to provide for one hour debate on H. R. 2535, which amends the Reconstruction Finance Corporation Act, and H. Res. 146, to provide for three hours' debate on H. R. 1366, which facilitates procurement of supplies and services by the War and Navy Departments. H. Res. 21, which extends the Wildlife Conservation Committee, was reported favorably. Rules Committee meets Tuesday at 11 a. m.

Résumé of Congressional Activity

January 3 through March 15, 1947

Convening of the Eightieth Congress: The Eightieth Congress convened on January 3, 1947, faced with the problem of organization under the Congressional Reorganization Act (Public Law 601). The party division in the Senate on the opening day was 51 Republicans and 45 Democrats; in the House it was 246 Republicans, 188 Democrats, and 1 American Labor.

The Senate elected the following officials:

Arthur H. Vandenberg, President *pro tempore*
Carl A. Loeffler, Secretary of the Senate
Edward F. McGinnis, Sergeant-at-Arms and Doorkeeper
Reverend Peter Marshall, Chaplain
J. Mark Trice, Secretary for the Majority
Felton M. Johnston, Secretary for the Minority

The Republicans designated Wallace H. White, Jr., Majority Leader, and Kenneth S. Wherry, Majority Whip. The Democrats designated Alben W. Barkley, Minority Leader, and Scott W. Lucas, Minority Whip.

The House elected the following officials:

Joseph W. Martin, Jr., Speaker
John Andrews, Clerk of the House
William F. Russell, Sergeant-at-Arms
M. L. Meletio, Doorkeeper
Frank W. Collier, Postmaster
Reverend James Shera Montgomery, Chaplain

The Republicans designated Charles A. Halleck, Majority Leader, and Leslie C. Arends, Majority Whip.

The Democrats designated Sam Rayburn, Minority Leader, and John W. McCormack, Minority Whip.

Data on Congressional Activity: The following table gives a comprehensive résumé of all legislative business transacted by the Senate and House during this session.

	Senate	House	Total
Days in session.....	32	37	..
Congressional Record:			
Pages of proceedings.....	1,137	1,035	2,172
Appendix	..	..	1,090
Bills enacted into law.....	8	9	17
Bills awaiting President's signature	..	1	1
Bills in conference.....	..	..	2
Measures passed, total.....	81	110	..
Senate bills	16	5	..
House bills.....	6	25	..
Senate joint resolutions....	7	5	..
House joint resolutions....	5	8	..
Senate concurrent resolutions	1	0	..
House concurrent resolutions	..	..	..
Simple resolutions	4	4	..
Measures reported, total.....	93	150	105
Senate bills	27	7	..
House bills.....	6	75	..
Senate joint resolutions....	9	3	..
House joint resolutions....	14	15	..
Senate concurrent resolutions	12	0	..
House concurrent resolutions	13	2	..
Simple resolutions.....	142	35	77
Special reports.....	7	12	..
Conference reports.....	..	..	1
Reported measures not acted on.....	12	56	..
Bills defeated.....	0	1	..
Measures introduced, total.....	1,095	2,887	3,982
Bills	906	2,563	3,469
Joint resolutions.....	88	150	238
Concurrent resolutions....	8	30	38
Simple resolutions.....	93	144	237

¹ This figure includes all measures placed on calendar or acted on by Senate even if there were no accompanying report. A total of 52 reports has been filed in the Senate.

Bills Enacted into Law: Seventeen of the bills accounted for in the above table have become public law, as follows:

S. J. Res. 3, relating to officers and employees of the Senate and House of Representatives (P. L. 1).
H. J. Res. 57, to extend time for alcohol plants to produce sugars and syrups simultaneously with production of alcohol (P. L. 2).
S. J. Res. 4, relating to the salaries of certain Senate employees (P. L. 3).
S. J. Res. 24, to prescribe annual rates of compensation for clerical staffs of Senate standing committees (P. L. 4).
H. R. 1353, to amend the National Service Life Insurance Act as to kind of insurance plans (P. L. 5).
H. J. Res. 114, to continue authority of Maritime Commission to operate vessels to July 1, 1947 (P. L. 6).
H. J. Res. 121, to exempt from tax John D. Rockefeller's gift of a site for the United Nations (P. L. 7).
S. 568, to authorize Secretary of Agriculture to cooperate with other American countries in the control and eradication of foot-and-mouth disease and rinderpest (P. L. 8).
S. J. Res. 33, relative to extending time for a report to Congress by the Philadelphia National Shrines Park Commission (P. L. 9).
S. J. Res. 60, relative to drilling, equipping, and acquiring wells for use in the San Carlos Irrigation Project (P. L. 10).
S. 235, relative to installation of storm drain under Government-owned lands in Los Angeles (P. L. 11).
H. J. Res. 122, to authorize the Maritime Commission to make provision for certain ocean transportation service to and from Alaska until July 1, 1948 (P. L. 12).
S. 234, to convey certain Government-owned lands to the Central of Georgia Railway Company, situated in Bibb County, Georgia (P. L. 13).
H. R. 1040, to authorize payment of claims to Switzerland resulting from the sinking of the *Awa Maru* (P. L. 14).
H. R. 1778, to amend the Federal Firearms Act to redefine the term "crime of violence" (P. L. 15).
H. R. 2045, to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act of 1938 by providing for certification of batches of drugs composed wholly or partly of any kind of streptomycin or any derivative thereof (P. L. 16).
H. R. 1030, to continue indefinitely the war-time rate of certain excise taxes (P. L. 17).

Other Bills Considered: Other legislative issues which have attracted much of the attention of Congress during this session include the Budget resolution (H. Con. Res. 20), the proposed amendment to the Constitution on limiting the Presidential term of office (H. J. Res. 27), the portal-to-portal pay bill (H. R. 2157), the Urgent Deficiency Appropriation Bill for 1947 (H. R. 1968), and the Treasury-Post Office Appropriation Bill for 1948 (H. R. 2436).

In accordance with section 139 of the Congressional Reorganization Act, the Joint Committee on the Legislative Budget examined the President's estimates and filed its report on February 15, recommending a reduction of 6 billion dollars in the budget estimates. Subsequently, concurrent resolutions were introduced in each House to limit the amount of Federal expenditures for the fiscal year 1948. The House passed its concurrent resolution (H. Con. Res. 20) proposing to cut the President's budget from that of 37½ billion dollars to 31½ billion dollars. The Senate passed the resolution, proposing to reduce the budget estimates by 4½ billion

dollars. The House being unwilling to accept the Senate amendments, the resolution was sent to conference where it is now pending further disposition.

The House and Senate passed in different forms and sent to conference H. J. Res. 27, to limit the Presidential term of office; the bill is now pending in conference. The House on February 28 passed and sent to the Senate H. R. 2157, to relieve employers of certain liability under portal-to-portal pay suits. On March 10 the bill was reported to the Senate where it is now under consideration.

Both Houses have passed and cleared for the President's signature H. R. 1968, the urgent deficiency appropriation bill, appropriating \$179,645,668 for Congress and various agencies of the Government and rescinding \$699,461,151 of funds already appropriated.

The Treasury-Post Office appropriation bill for the fiscal year 1948 (H. R. 2436), providing a total of \$12,388,029,971, including permanent appropriations and trust funds, of which \$3,202,050,750 is direct annual appropriation, passed the House on March 11 and was sent to the Senate where it is now pending before the Senate Appropriations Committee.

Presidential and Executive communications to Congress: During this session the President has addressed Congress in joint session on two occasions: First, to give his State of the Union message, and secondly, to urge United States aid to Greece and Turkey. In addition to these two personal appearances, the President has submitted various other messages, including that of the Budget, on Selective Service, on Merging of the Armed Forces, and on removal of certain war-time powers.

Many communications and reports have been submitted to Congress by the various administrative agencies. Some of them contained legislative proposals and recommendations; others embodied reports on operations of the agencies concerned, as required by law.

All of these communications proposing legislation have been referred to proper committees for study and such action as the committee deems necessary.

Nominations: The President has submitted 13,442 nominations to the Senate, of which 11,047 have been confirmed. A break-down is set forth in the following table:

Disposition of executive nominations through Mar. 15, 1947

Post Office nominations, totaling 590, disposed of as follows:

Confirmed	None
Withdrawn	5
Rejected	None
Unconfirmed	585

Army nominations, totaling 4,173, disposed of as follows:

Confirmed	2,830
Withdrawn	None
Rejected	None
Unconfirmed	1,343

Navy nominations, totaling 7,752, disposed of as follows:

Confirmed	7,495
Withdrawn	None
Rejected	None
Unconfirmed	347

Marine Corps nominations, totaling 555, disposed of as follows:

Confirmed	480
Withdrawn	None
Rejected	None
Unconfirmed	75

Civilian nominations other than postmasters, totaling 372, disposed of as follows:

Confirmed	332
Withdrawn	2
Rejected	None
Unconfirmed	38

Summary

Total nominations received	13,442
Total rejected	None
Total withdrawn	7
Total unconfirmed	2,388
Total confirmed	11,047

Treaties: The Senate has ratified one treaty, to extend for one year from October 1, 1946, subject to certain conditions, the Inter-American Coffee Agreement, signed in Washington on November 28, 1940.

Senate and House Committees

The standing committees of the House and Senate for the Eightieth Congress are operating under the Congressional Reorganization Act (Public Law 601 of the 79th Cong.). Hence, the number of committees has been greatly reduced, in the Senate from 33 to 15, and in the House from 48 to 19. Accordingly, the problem of making committee assignments this year was unusual, with most of the entire membership of both the House and Senate receiving new assignments.

By January 16, both Houses had approved resolutions making all majority and minority assignments to the standing committees.

The Reorganization Act not only reduced the number of committees but redefined their respective jurisdiction.

SENATE COMMITTEES

Each standing and special committee of the Senate is accounted for here separately. The report on each includes the committee membership, any subcommittees which have been appointed together with membership, selected members of each committee staff, the jurisdiction of each standing committee as set forth in Public Law 601 of the Seventy-ninth Congress (the jurisdiction is taken from resolutions in cases of special committees), and a résumé of all legislative activity by each committee. Thus far, the Senate has created two special investigating committees: The Committee To Investi-

gate the National Defense Program and the Committee To Study Problems of American Small Business.

COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND FORESTRY

Membership:

(Republicans in roman; Democrats in italics)

Arthur Capper, Kans., <i>Chairman</i> .	Elmer Thomas, Okla.
George D. Aiken, Vt.	Allen J. Ellender, La.
Harlan J. Bushfield, S. Dak.	Scott W. Lucas, Ill.
George A. Wilson, Iowa.	Tom Stewart, Tenn.
Milton R. Young, N. Dak.	Clyde R. Hoey, N. C.
James P. Kem, Mo.	Claude Pepper, Fla.
Edward J. Thyne, Minn.	

James M. Kendall, *Clerk*
Joycette Jones, *Clerk*

Membership of Subcommittees:

WARTIME LEGISLATION

Senators Aiken, *Chairman*; Wilson, Kem, Lucas, and Pepper

Jurisdiction (Standing Committee): All "proposed legislation, messages, petitions, memorials, and other matters" relating to the following subjects "shall be referred" to this committee:

Agriculture generally.
Inspection of livestock and meat products.
Animal industry and diseases of animals.
Adulteration of seeds, insect pests, and protection of birds and animals in forest reserves.
Agricultural colleges and experiment stations.
Forestry in general, and forest reserves other than those created from the public domain.
Agricultural economics and research.
Agricultural and industrial chemistry.
Dairy industry.
Entomology and plant quarantine.
Human nutrition and home economics.
Plant industry, soils, and agricultural engineering.
Agricultural educational extension services.
Extension of farm credit and farm security.
Rural electrification.
Agricultural production and marketing and stabilization of prices of agricultural products.
Crop insurance and soil conservation.

Activity: Four public hearings have been held on various subjects relating to agriculture by this committee. The Secretary of Agriculture appeared before this group to discuss the Price Support Program for 1947 and 1948; the printed testimony is now available.

Four days of hearings have been held on S. 350, to extend the Commodity Credit Corporation to June 30, 1949. The committee also considered the extension of the farm labor supply program and the control of the foot-and-mouth disease in Mexico.

The committee has ordered reported S. 669, granting a bonus of 30 cents per bushel on wheat.

The nomination of Dillard B. Lasseter, to be Farmers' Home Administrator, was favorably reported by this group.

COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

Membership:

Styles Bridges, N. H., <i>Chairman</i> .	Kenneth McKellar, Tenn.
Chan Gurney, S. Dak.	Carl Hayden, Ariz.
C. Wayland Brooks, Ill.	Elmer Thomas, Okla.
Clyde M. Reed, Kans.	Millard E. Tydings, Md.
Joseph H. Ball, Minn.	Richard B. Russell, Ga.
Homer Ferguson, Mich.	Pat McCarran, Nev.
Kenneth S. Wherry, Nebr.	John H. Overton, La.
Guy Cordon, Oreg.	Joseph C. O'Mahoney, Wyo.
Leverett Saltonstall, Mass.	Theodore Francis Green, R. I.
Milton R. Young, N. Dak.	
William F. Knowland, Calif.	
Henry C. Dworshak, Idaho.	

Everard H. Smith, *Clerk*
Cecil H. Tolbert, *Assistant Clerk*
Leslie M. Gravin, *Chief of the Professional Staff*

Membership of Subcommittees:

(Ex officio committeemen's names appear in italics)

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Messrs. Brooks, Gurney, Reed, Ferguson, Cordon, Young, Dworshak, Russell, Hayden, Tydings, O'Mahoney, and McCarran;
Capper, Bushfield, and Thomas of Oklahoma.

DEFICIENCIES

Messrs. Bridges, Brooks, Gurney, Ball, Ferguson, Cordon, Young, McKellar, Hayden, Tydings, Russell, and Overton.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Messrs. Dworshak, Ball, Young, Knowland, O'Mahoney, McCarran, and Green;
Cain, Flanders, and McGrath.

GOVERNMENT CORPORATIONS

Messrs. Ferguson, Reed, Wherry, Saltonstall, Young, Knowland, Dworshak, McKellar, Overton, Russell, McCarran, and Thomas.

INDEPENDENT OFFICES

Messrs. Reed, Bridges, Brooks, Cordon, Ferguson, Saltonstall, Green, Russell, McKellar, Thomas, and O'Mahoney.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Messrs. Wherry, Gurney, Ball, Cordon, Reed, Knowland, Dworshak, Hayden, Thomas, O'Mahoney, McCarran, and Overton.

LABOR-FEDERAL SECURITY

Messrs. Knowland, Gurney, Ball, Wherry, Young, Dworshak, McCarran, McKellar, Russell, and Thomas.

LEGISLATIVE BRANCH

Messrs. Young, Bridges, Saltonstall, Dworshak, Overton, Tydings, and Green.

NAVY DEPARTMENT

Messrs. Saltonstall, Bridges, Brooks, Ball, Gurney, Wherry, Tydings, Overton, Green, Thomas, and O'Mahoney;
Robertson of Wyoming, Wilson, and Russell.

DEPARTMENTS OF STATE, JUSTICE, AND COMMERCE, AND THE JUDICIARY

Messrs. Ball, Bridges, Wherry, Brooks, Ferguson, Saltonstall, McCarran, McKellar, Tydings, Hayden, and Green;
Also on Diplomatic and Consular items: Messrs. *Hickenlooper, Lodge, and Hatch.*

TREASURY AND POST OFFICE

Messrs. Cordon, Reed, Bridges, Saltonstall, Knowland, Tydings, McKellar, Hayden, and Green;
Also on Post Office items: Messrs. *Flanders, Ecton, and Chavez.*

WAR DEPARTMENT

Messrs. Gurney, Brooks, Reed, Ferguson, Wherry, Cordon, Knowland, Thomas, Hayden, Overton, Russell, and O'Mahoney;
Bridges, Robertson of Wyoming, and Tydings;
Also on River and Harbor items: Messrs. *Revercomb, Martin, and O'Daniel.*

Jurisdiction (Standing Committee): All "proposed legislation, messages, petitions, memorials, and other matters" relating to the following subject "shall be referred" to this committee:

Appropriation of the revenue for the support of the Government.

Activity: The committee held hearings on H. R. 1968, Urgent Deficiency Appropriation, and reported it to Senate on February 28. Hearings were held on February 6 at the request of the State Department on the liquidation of Lend-Lease. On February 7, representatives of the General Accounting Office appeared on the same subject.

The Committee also studied and reported S. J. Res. 4, relating to the salaries of certain Senate employees, and S. J. Res. 24, to prescribe annual rates of compensation for clerical staffs of Senate committees.

COMMITTEE ON ARMED SERVICES

Membership:

Chan Gurney, S. Dak., <i>Chairman</i> .	Millard E. Tydings, Md.
Styles Bridges, N. H.	Richard B. Russell, Ga.
Edward V. Robertson, Wyo.	Harry Flood Byrd, Va.
George A. Wilson, Iowa.	Lister Hill, Ala.
Leverett Saltonstall, Mass.	Harley M. Kilgore, W. Va.
Wayne Morse, Oreg.	Burnet R. Maybank, S. C.
Raymond E. Baldwin, Conn.	

John G. Adama, *Clerk*
Walter I. Smalley, *Assistant Clerk*
Herbert S. Atkinson, *Assistant Clerk*

Jurisdiction (Standing Committee): All "proposed legislation, messages, petitions, memorials, and other matters" relating to the following subjects "shall be referred" to this committee:

Common defense generally.
The War Department and the Military Establishment generally.
The Navy Department and the Naval Establishment generally.
Soldiers' and sailors' homes.
Pay, promotion, retirement, and other benefits and privileges of members of the armed forces.
Selective service.
Size and composition of the Army and Navy.
Forts, arsenals, military reservations, and navy yards.
Ammunition depots.
Maintenance and operation of the Panama Canal, including the administration, sanitation, and government of the Canal Zone.
Conservation, development, and use of naval petroleum and oil shale reserves.
Strategic and critical materials necessary for the common defense.

Activity: Numerous bills directly relating to personnel of the armed forces—as transportation of dependents, mileage and travel allowance, promotions, retirement of officers, and amendment of the Pay Readjustment Act—have been considered by this committee.

Several proposals are before this group to amend the Mustering-Out Payment Act and also the Armed Forces Leave Law.

COMMITTEE ON BANKING AND CURRENCY

Membership:

Charles W. Tobey, N. H., *Chairman*.
C. Douglass Buck, Del.
Homer E. Capehart, Ind.
Ralph E. Flanders, Vt.
Harry P. Cain, Wash.
John R. Bricker, Ohio.
Joseph R. McCarthy, Wis.

Robert C. Hill, *Clerk*

Membership of Subcommittees:

FEDERAL RESERVE MATTERS

Senators Tobey, *Chairman*, Buck, Flanders, Fulbright, Sparkman.

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE

Senators Tobey, *Chairman*, Buck, Flanders, Wagner, Fulbright.

SMALL BUSINESS

Senators Capehart, *Chairman*, Buck, McCarthy, Maybank, Taylor.

HOUSING AND RENTS

Senators Buck, *Chairman*, Cain, Bricker, Taylor, Fulbright.

CURRENCY AND COINAGE

Senators Flanders, *Chairman*, McCarthy, Maybank.

RUBBER

Senators Bricker, *Chairman*, Cain, Robertson of Virginia.

SUGAR

Senators Flanders, *Chairman*, Bricker, McCarthy, Maybank, Sparkman.

Jurisdiction (Standing Committee): All "proposed legislation, messages, petitions, memorials, and other matters" relating to the following subjects "shall be referred" to this committee:

- Banking and currency generally.
- Financial aid to commerce and industry, other than matters relating to such aid which are specifically assigned to other committees under this rule.
- Deposit insurance.
- Public and private housing.
- Federal Reserve System.
- Gold and silver, including the coinage thereof.
- Issuance of notes and redemption thereof.
- Valuation and revaluation of the dollar.
- Control of prices of commodities, rents, or services.

Activity: Proposals to terminate the Emergency Price Control Act and other similar wartime measures were considered at hearings on February 13 and 18.

The Housing and Rent Subcommittee has given consideration to proposals for the removal of rent control.

The latest action of the committee was the reporting of S. J. Res. 58 which would permit controls to be continued over the rationing of sugar.

COMMITTEE ON CIVIL SERVICE

Membership:

William Langer, N. Dak., *Chairman*.
C. Douglass Buck, Del.
Ralph E. Flanders, Vt.
Raymond E. Baldwin, Conn.
Edward J. Thye, Minn.
John J. Williams, Del.
Zales N. Ecton, Mont.

George D. Riley, *Staff Director*
Colette E. Homan, *Clerk*

Membership of Subcommittees:

POST OFFICES

Senators Langer, *Chairman*, Buck, Chavez.

GOVERNMENT CAFETERIA (S. Res. 42)

Senators Baldwin, *Chairman*, Flanders, Johnston.

INVESTIGATE USE OF GOVERNMENT TIME FOR PRIVATE PUBLICATIONS

Senators Thye, *Chairman*, Ecton, Umstead.

INVESTIGATE PERSONNEL CONDITIONS AT ELLIS ISLAND

Senators Langer, *Chairman*, Thye, O'Connor.

Jurisdiction (Standing Committee): All "proposed legislation, messages, petitions, memorials, and other matters" relating to the following subjects "shall be referred" to this committee:

- The Federal civil service generally.
- The status of officers and employees of the United States, including their compensation, classification, and retirement.
- The postal service generally, including the railway mail service, and measures relating to ocean mail and pneumatic-tube service; but excluding post roads.
- Postal-savings banks.
- Census and the collection of statistics generally.
- The National Archives.

Activity: Main attention of this committee has been given to three proposals: S. Res. 41, regarding the staffing of Government agencies; S. Res. 42, to investigate the system of cafeterias on Government reservation; and S. Res. 43, to consider reduction of the Post Office deficit through a revision of rates.

Consideration has also been given to S. 637, to amend the old-age and survivor's programs for Government employees.

The Committee approved and recommended confirmation of Frances Perkins as a Civil Service Commissioner.

COMMITTEE ON THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Membership:

C. Douglass Buck, Del., *Chairman*.
Arthur Capper, Kans.
Joseph H. Ball, Minn.
Ralph E. Flanders, Vt.
John Sherman Cooper, Ky.
Harry P. Cain, Wash.
James P. Kem, Mo.

J. George Stewart, *Chief Clerk*
James R. Kirkland, *Counsel*

Olin D. Johnston, S. C.
Spessard L. Holland, Fla.
John Sparkman, Ala.
William B. Umstead, N. C.
J. Howard McGrath, R. I.

Membership of Subcommittees:

FISCAL AFFAIRS

Senators Cain, *Chairman*, Flanders, McGrath.

HOME RULE AND REORGANIZATION

Senators Ball, *Chairman*, Buck, Holland, Johnston.

JUDICIARY

Senators Kem, *Chairman*, Cooper, Holland.

PUBLIC HEALTH, EDUCATION, RECREATION

Senators Cooper, *Chairman*, Ball, Johnston.

PUBLIC SERVICE—STREETS AND TRAFFIC

Senators McGrath, *Chairman*, Capper, Kem, Sparkman.

PUBLIC UTILITIES—INSURANCE AND BANKING

Senators Buck, *Chairman*, Cain, Umstead.

Jurisdiction (Standing Committee): All "proposed legislation, messages, petitions, memorials, and other matters" relating to the following subjects "shall be referred" to this committee:

- All measures relating to the municipal affairs of the District of Columbia in general, other than appropriations therefor, including—
- Public health and safety, sanitation, and quarantine regulations.
- Regulation of sale of intoxicating liquors.
- Adulteration of food and drugs.
- Taxes and tax sales.
- Insurance, executors, administrators, wills, and divorce.
- Municipal and juvenile courts.
- Incorporation and organization of societies.
- Municipal code and amendments to the criminal and corporation laws.

Activity: The committee has held hearings on and reported S. 736, to authorize the Commissioners of the District of Columbia to establish daylight-saving time during 1947.

Consideration has also been given to two other matters relating to the law on common trust funds.

COMMITTEE ON EXPENDITURES IN THE EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENTS

Membership:

George D. Aiken, Vt., *Chairman*.
Homer Ferguson, Mich.
Bourke B. Hickenlooper, Iowa.
John W. Bricker, Ohio.
Edward J. Thye, Minn.
Joseph R. McCarthy, Wis.
Irving M. Ives, N. Y.

J. H. Macomber, *Chief Clerk*
Thomas A. Sarpington, *Assistant Chief Clerk*
E. B. Van Horn, *Professional Staff Member*
Walter L. Reynolds, *Professional Staff Member*

Membership of Subcommittees:

INVESTIGATE SURPLUS PROPERTY DISPOSAL

Senators Ferguson, *Chairman*; Hickenlooper, McCarthy, McClellan, O'Connor.

INVESTIGATE WILDLIFE CONSERVATION

Senators Ferguson, *Chairman*; Thye, A. Willis Robertson.

Jurisdiction (Standing Committee): All "proposed legislation, messages, petitions, memorials, and other matters" relating to the following subjects "shall be referred" to this committee:

- Budget and accounting measures, other than appropriations.
- Reorganizations in the executive branch of the Government.
- Such committee shall have the duty of—
- receiving and examining reports of the Comptroller General of the United States and of submitting such recommendations to the Senate as it deems necessary or desirable in connection with the subject matter of such reports;
- studying the operation of Government activities at all levels with a view to determining its economy and efficiency;
- evaluating the effects of laws enacted to reorganize the legislative and executive branches of the Government;
- studying intergovernmental relationships between the United States and the States and municipalities, and between the United States and international organizations of which the United States is a member.

Activity: No bills have been reported by this Committee. It has considered S. 712, to constitute the Federal Security Agency as a Department of Health, Education, and Security and a similar bill by Senators Taft and Fulbright (S. 140).

The Committee is preparing a detailed chart of all departments, independent and emergency agencies, with a break-down to the smallest existing units showing personnel assignments to each. This will be released initially during April and semi-annually thereafter.

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

Membership:

Eugene D. Millikin, Colo., *Chairman*.
Robert A. Taft, Ohio.
Hugh Butler, Nebr.
Owen Brewster, Maine.
Harlan J. Bushfield, S. Dak.
Albert W. Hawkes, N. J.
Edward Martin, Pa.

Mrs. Elizabeth B. Springer, *Assistant Chief Clerk*

Jurisdiction (Standing Committee): All "proposed legislation, messages, petitions, memorials, and other matters" relating to the following subjects "shall be referred" to this committee:

- Revenue measures generally.
- The bonded debt of the United States.
- The deposit of public moneys.
- Customs, collection districts, and ports of entry and delivery.
- Reciprocal trade agreements.
- Transportation of dutiable goods.
- Revenue measures relating to the insular possessions.
- Tariffs and import quotas, and matters related thereto.
- National social security.
- Veterans' measures generally.
- Pensions of all the wars of the United States, general and special.
- Life insurance issued by the Government on account of service in the armed forces.
- Compensation of veterans.

Activity: The committee has considered and reported to the Senate H. R. 1030, to continue indefinitely the war-time rate of certain excise taxes; H. R. 1353, to amend the National Service Life Insurance Act as to kind of insurance plans; H. J. Res. 121, to exempt from tax John D. Rockefeller's gift of a site for the United Nations; and S. J. Res. 5, to extend time for alcohol plants to produce sugars and sirups simultaneously with the production of alcohol.

COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

Membership:

Arthur H. Vandenberg, Mich. *Chairman.*
 Arthur Capper, Kans.
 Wallace H. White, Jr., Maine.
 Alexander Wiley, Wis.
 H. Alexander Smith, N. J.
 Bourke B. Hickenlooper, Iowa
 Henry Cabot Lodge, Jr., Mass.

Tom Connally, Tex.
 Walter F. George, Ga.
 Robert F. Wagner, N. Y.
 Elbert D. Thomas, Utah.
 Alben W. Barkley, Ky.
 Carl A. Hatch, N. Mex.

Francis O. Wilcox, *Chief of Staff.*
 C. C. O'Day, *Clerk.*
 Emmett M. O'Grady, *Assistant Clerk.*

Membership of Subcommittees:

CONSTRUCTION OF FENCE ON MEXICAN BORDER (S. J. RES. 46)
 Senators Hatch, *Chairman*, Connolly, Hickenlooper.

SUGAR AGREEMENT (EXECUTIVE E)

Senators Lodge, *Chairman*, Hickenlooper, Thomas of Utah.

Jurisdiction (Standing Committee): All "proposed legislation, messages, petitions, memorials, and other matters" relating to the following subjects "shall be referred" to this committee:

Relations of the United States with foreign nations generally.
 Treaties.
 Establishment of boundary lines between the United States and foreign nations.
 Protection of American citizens abroad and expatriation.
 Neutrality.
 International conferences and congresses.
 The American National Red Cross.
 Intervention abroad and declarations of war.
 Measures relating to the diplomatic service.
 Acquisition of land and buildings for embassies and legations in foreign countries.
 Measures to foster commercial intercourse with foreign nations and to safeguard American business interests abroad.
 United Nations Organization and international financial and monetary organizations.
 Foreign loans.

Activity: The Committee has received several bills relating to foreign relations and now has before it the treaties of peace with Italy, Rumania, Bulgaria, and Hungary. Hearings have been held on these treaties and an Executive Session has been held with representatives of the State, War, and Navy Departments on the proposal of a loan to Greece.

Among the nominations approved by the Committee are Lewis W. Douglas as Ambassador to Great Britain, and Warren R. Austin as United Nations representative.

COMMITTEE ON INTERSTATE AND FOREIGN COMMERCE

Membership:

Wallace H. White, Jr., Maine, *Chairman.*
 Charles W. Tobey, N. H.
 Clyde M. Reed, Kans.
 Owen Brewster, Maine.
 Albert W. Hawkes, N. J.
 E. H. Moore, Okla.
 Homer E. Capehart, Ind.

Edwin C. Johnson, Colo.
 Tom Stewart, Tenn.
 Ernest W. McFarland, Ariz.
 Warren G. Magnuson, Wash.
 Francis J. Myers, Pa.
 Brien McMahon, Conn.

Edward Jarrett, *Clerk*

Edward Cooper, *Staff Member on Communications*
 Halford Davis, *Staff Member on Aviation*

Membership of Subcommittees:

RAILCAR SHORTAGE (S. RES. (44 AND 47)

Senators Reed, *Chairman*, Moore, Capehart, Stewart, Myers.

AIR SAFETY INVESTIGATION

Senators Brewster, *Chairman*, Hawkes, Capehart, McFarland, McMahon.

RAILROAD REORGANIZATION (S. RES. 65)

Senators Reed, *Chairman*, Hawkes, Myers.

Jurisdiction (Standing Committee): All "proposed legislation, messages, petitions, memorials, and other matters" relating to the following subjects "shall be referred" to this committee:

Interstate and foreign commerce generally.
 Regulation of interstate railroads, busses, trucks, and pipe lines.
 Communication by telephone, telegraph, radio, and television.
 Civil aeronautics.
 Merchant marine generally.
 Registering and licensing of vessels and small boats.
 Navigation and the laws relating thereto, including pilotage.
 Rules and international arrangements to prevent collisions at sea.
 Merchant marine officers and seamen.
 Measures relating to the regulation of common carriers by water and to the inspection of merchant marine vessels, lights and signals, life-saving equipment, and fire protection on such vessels.
 Coast and Geodetic Survey.
 The Coast Guard, including lifesaving service, lighthouses, lightships, and ocean derelicts.
 The United States Coast Guard and Merchant Marine Academies.
 Weather Bureau.
 Except as provided in paragraph (c), the Panama Canal and interoceanic canals generally.
 Inland waterways.
 Fisheries and wildlife, including research, restoration, refuges, and conservation.
 Bureau of Standards including standardization of weights and measures and the metric system.

Activity: Twelve days of hearings were held by Senator Reed's subcommittee on the shortage of railroad cars. The full committee has considered S. 110, to amend the I. C. C. Act to permit carriers to make certain agreements without regard to the antitrust law.

Likewise, 8 days of hearings on the investigation of air safety have been conducted.

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

Membership:

Alexander Wiley, Wis., *Chairman.*
 William Langer, N. Dak.
 Homer Ferguson, Mich.
 Chapman Revercomb, W. Va.
 E. I. Moore, Okla.
 Forrest C. Donnell, Mo.
 John Sherman Cooper, Ky.

Pat McCarran, Nev.
 Harley M. Kilgore, W. Va.
 James O. Eastland, Miss.
 Warren G. Magnuson, Wash.
 J. W. Fulbright, Ark.
 J. Howard McGrath, R. I.

Harold R. Wilde, *Clerk*
 Joseph A. Davis, *Assistant Clerk*
 Richard Arens,
 J. Carlisle Ruddy,
 Robert B. Young,

Professional Staff Members.

Membership of Subcommittees:

PATENTS, TRADE-MARKS, AND COPYRIGHTS

Senators Ferguson, *Chairman*; McGrath.

IMMIGRATION AND NATURALIZATION

Senators Revercomb, *Chairman*; McCarran.

FEDERAL CHARTERS; HOLIDAYS AND CELEBRATIONS

Senators Donnell, *Chairman*; Kilgore.

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS

Senators Revercomb, *Chairman*; McCarran.

IMPROVEMENTS IN JUDICIAL MACHINERY

Senators Ferguson, *Chairman*; McCarran.

Jurisdiction (Standing Committee): All "proposed legislation, messages, petitions, memorials, and other matters" relating to the following subjects "shall be referred" to this committee:

Judicial proceedings, civil and criminal, generally.
 Constitutional amendments.
 Federal courts and judges.
 Local courts in the Territories and possessions.
 Revision and codification of the statutes of the United States.
 National penitentiaries.
 Protection of trade and commerce against unlawful restraints and monopolies.
 Holidays and celebrations.
 Bankruptcy, mutiny, espionage, and counterfeiting.
 State and Territorial boundary lines.
 Meetings of Congress, attendance of Members, and their acceptance of incompatible offices.
 Civil liberties.
 Patents, copyrights, and trade-marks.
 Patent Office.
 Immigration and naturalization.
 Apportionment of Representatives.
 Measures relating to claims against the United States.
 Interstate compacts generally.

Activity: A total of 326 bills and resolutions have been referred to this Committee, plus 4 House bills and 1 House Resolution; 15 hearings have been conducted on various types of legislation and 17 executive sessions have been held. To date the committee has reported favorably 11 bills (of which two were recommitted at request of chairman) and 21 nominations.

The Committee has reported legislation to limit Presidential tenure (H. J. Res. 27) as well as a proposal to end portal-to-portal pay suits (H. R. 2157) arising under the Fair Labor Standards Act.

Hearings are now in process on the ending of war-emergency legislation.

COMMITTEE ON LABOR AND PUBLIC WELFARE

Membership:

Robert A. Taft, Ohio, *Chairman.*
 George D. Aiken, Vt.
 Joseph H. Ball, Minn.
 H. Alexander Smith, N. J.
 Wayne Morse, Oreg.
 Forrest C. Donnell, Mo.
 William E. Jenner, Ind.
 Irving M. Ives, N. Y.

Elbert D. Thomas, Utah.
 James E. Murray, Mont.
 Claude Pepper, Fla.
 Allen J. Ellender, La.
 Lister Hill, Ala.

Philip R. Rodgers, *Clerk*
 Earl B. Wixcey, *Assistant Clerk*
 Thomas E. Shroyer, *Professional Staff Member (Labor)*

Membership of Subcommittees:

EDUCATION

Senators Aiken, *Chairman*, Smith, Donnell, Ives, Thomas of Utah, Ellender, Hill.

HEALTH

Senators Smith, *Chairman*, Ball, Donnell, Murray, Pepper.

VETERANS' AFFAIRS

Senators Morse, *Chairman*, Ives, Jenner, Thomas, Hill.

Jurisdiction (Standing Committee): All "proposed legislation, messages, petitions, memorials, and other matters" relating to the following subjects "shall be referred" to this committee:

Measures relating to education, labor, or public welfare generally.
 Mediation and arbitration of labor disputes.
 Wages and hours of labor.
 Convict labor and the entry of goods made by convicts into interstate commerce.
 Regulation or prevention of importation of foreign laborers under contract.
 Child labor.
 Labor statistics.
 Labor standards.
 School-lunch program.
 Vocational rehabilitation.
 Railroad labor and railroad retirement and unemployment, except revenue measures relating thereto.
 United States Employees' Compensation Commission.
 Columbia Institution for the Deaf, Dumb, and Blind; Howard University; Freedmen's Hospital; and Saint Elizabeths Hospital.
 Public health and quarantine.
 Welfare of miners.
 Vocational rehabilitation and education of veterans.
 Veterans' hospitals, medical care and treatment of veterans.
 Soldiers' and sailors' civil relief.
 Readjustment of servicemen to civil life.

Activity: The Committee has held 26 days of hearings on the general subject of labor legislation. The hearings started January 23 and ended March 8.

Seventy-two bills and resolutions have been referred to this committee for its consideration.

COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC LANDS

Membership:

Hugh Butler, Nebr.,
Chairman
Eugene D. Millikin, Colo.
Edward V. Robertson, Wyo.
Guy Cordon, Oreg.
Henry C. Dworshak, Idaho.
Zales N. Ecton, Mont.
George W. Malone, Nev.
Arthur V. Watkins, Utah.

Hugh R. Brown, Chief Clerk,
N. D. McSherry, Assistant Chief Clerk
Albert A. Grorud, Indian Specialist

Membership of Subcommittees:

TERRITORIES AND INSULAR AFFAIRS

Senators Cordon, Chairman, Butler, E. V. Robertson, Downey, McFarland.

IRRIGATION AND RECLAMATION

Senators Millikan, Chairman, Ecton, Watkins, Hatch, O'Mahoney.

INDIAN AFFAIRS

Senators Watkins, Chairman, Ecton, Malone, Hatch, Murray.

PUBLIC LANDS

Senators E. V. Robertson, Chairman, Cordon, Dworshak, O'Mahoney, McFarland.

MINES AND MINING

Senators Dworshak, Chairman, Millikin, Malone, Murray, Downey.

NATIONAL RESOURCES ECONOMIC

Senators Malone, Chairman, Watkins, Ecton, O'Mahoney, McFarland.

Jurisdiction (Standing Committee): All "proposed legislation, messages, petitions, memorials, and other matters" relating to the following subjects "shall be referred" to this committee:

Public lands generally, including entry, easements, and grazing thereon.
Mineral resources of the public lands.
Forfeiture of land grants and alien ownership, including alien ownership of mineral lands.
Forest reserves and national parks created from the public domain.
Military parks and battlefields and national cemeteries.
Preservation of prehistoric ruins and objects of interest on the public domain.
Measures relating generally to Hawaii, Alaska, and the insular possessions of the United States, except those affecting their revenue and appropriations.
Irrigation and reclamation, including water supply for reclamation projects, and easements of public lands for irrigation projects.
Interstate compacts relating to apportionment of waters for irrigation purposes.
Mining interests generally.
Mineral land laws and claims and entries thereunder.
Geological survey.
Mining schools and experimental stations.
Petroleum conservation and conservation of the radium supply in the United States.

Relations of the United States with the Indians and the Indian tribes.

Measures relating to the care, education, and management of Indians, including the care and allotment of Indian lands and general and special measures relating to claims which are paid out of Indian funds.

Activity: The committee has considered H. J. Res. 140, which would rename Boulder Dam as Hoover Dam. Numerous Indian bills and proposals to repeal the Wheeler-Howard Act have also been considered.

COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS

Membership:

Chapman Revercomb, W. Va., John H. Overton, La.

Chairman.

John Sherman Cooper, Ky. Dennis Chavez, N. Mex.
Harry P. Cain, Wash. Sheridan Downey, Calif.
Edward Martin, Pa. W. Lee O'Daniel, Tex.
Arthur V. Watkins, Utah. John L. McClellan, Ark.
John J. Williams, Del.
George W. Malone, Nev.

William A. Stevens, Clerk,
Eloise Porter, Assistant Clerk.

Membership of Subcommittees:

FLOOD CONTROL AND IMPROVEMENT OF RIVERS AND HARBORS

Senators Malone, Chairman; Cooper, Martin, Overton, McClellan.

PUBLIC BUILDINGS

Senators Cain, Chairman; Williams, Downey.

PUBLIC ROADS

Senators Cooper, Chairman; Watkins, Chavez.

Jurisdiction (Standing Committee): All "proposed legislation, messages, petitions, memorials, and other matters" relating to the following subjects "shall be referred" to this committee:

Flood control and improvement of rivers and harbors.
Public works for the benefit of navigation, and bridges and dams (other than international bridges and dams).
Water power.
Oil and other pollution and navigable waters.
Public buildings and occupied or improved grounds of the United States generally.
Measures relating to the purchase of sites and construction of post offices, customhouses, Federal courthouses, and Government buildings within the District of Columbia.
Measures relating to the Capitol building and the Senate and House Office Buildings.
Measures relating to the construction or reconstruction, maintenance, and care of the buildings and grounds of the Botanic Gardens, the Library of Congress, and the Smithsonian Institution.
Public reservations and parks within the District of Columbia, including Rock Creek Park and the Zoological Park.
Measures relating to the construction or maintenance of roads and post roads.

Activity: Thirteen days of hearings on the nomination of Gordon R. Clapp, to be a member of the Board of Directors of TVA, were held by the committee and, on February 28, the committee voted 7 to 5 to report the nomination adversely.

No bills have been reported.

COMMITTEE ON RULES AND ADMINISTRATION

Membership:

C. Wayland Brooks, Ill.,
Chairman.
Kenneth S. Wherry, Nebr.
Bourke B. Hickenlooper, Iowa
William F. Knowland, Calif.
Henry Cabot Lodge, Jr., Mass.
William E. Jenner, Ind.
John W. Bricker, Ohio
Irving M. Ives, N. Y.

Albert L. Seidel, Clerk
George J. Niles, Assistant Clerk

Membership of Subcommittees:

PRIVILEGES AND ELECTIONS

Senators Hickenlooper, Chairman; Bricker, Myers.

PRINTING

Senators Jenner, Chairman; Brooks, Hayden.

LIBRARY

Senators Jenner, Chairman; Ives, Green.

RULES

Senators Wherry, Chairman; Ives, Hayden.

SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTION

Senators Lodge, Chairman; Jenner, Green.

Jurisdiction (Standing Committee): All "proposed legislation, messages, petitions, memorials, and other matters" relating to the following subjects "shall be referred" to this committee:

Committee on Rules and Administration, to consist of 13 Senators, to which committee shall be referred all proposed legislation, messages, petitions, memorials, and other matters relating to the following subjects:

Matters relating to the payment of money out of the contingent fund of the Senate or creating a charge upon the same; except that any resolution relating to substantive matter within the jurisdiction of any other standing committee of the Senate shall be first referred to such committee.

Except as provided in paragraph (n) 8, matters relating to the Library of Congress and the Senate Library; statuary and pictures; acceptance or purchase of works of art for the Capitol; the Botanic Gardens; management of the Library of Congress; purchase of books and manuscripts; erection of monuments to the memory of individuals.

Except as provided in paragraph (n) 8, matters relating to the Smithsonian Institution and the incorporation of similar institutions.

Matters relating to the election of the President, Vice President, or Members of Congress; corrupt practices; contested elections; credentials and qualifications; Federal elections generally; Presidential succession.

Matters relating to parliamentary rules; floor and gallery rules; Senate Restaurant; administration of the Senate Office Building and of the Senate wing of the Capitol; assignment of office space; and services to the Senate.

Matters relating to printing and correction of the Congressional Record.

Activity: Four days of hearings have been held by the committee on four proposals relating to Presidential succession.

Three election contests involving the States of Maryland, West Virginia, and Virginia have been referred to the Privileges and Elections Subcommittee.

Hearings have been held on four Senate resolutions which would amend the Senate Cloture Rule XXII.

SPECIAL COMMITTEE TO INVESTIGATE THE NATIONAL DEFENSE PROGRAM

Membership:

Owen Brewster, Maine, Chairman Carl A. Hatch, N. Mex.
Homer Ferguson, Mich. Claude Pepper, Fla.
William F. Knowland, Calif. J. Howard McGrath, R. I.
Joseph R. McCarthy, Wis. Herbert R. O'Connor, Md.
John J. Williams, Del.
George W. Malone, Nev.

George Meader, Chief Counsel
Francis D. Flanagan, Assistant Counsel
Franklin N. Parks, Chief Investigator
Ruth M. Young, Clerk

No subcommittees appointed.

Jurisdiction: This committee is authorized to make investigations of "excessive profits, fraud, corruption, waste, extravagance, mismanagement, incompetence, and inefficiency in expenditures, connected with the prosecution of the national defense program for World War II: provided further that the foregoing authority shall be further limited to transactions which occurred within the United States (including Hawaii, Alaska, Panama and Puerto Rico) prior to June 30, 1946 * * *." (Excerpt from S. Res. 46 of the 80th Cong.)

Activity: Since the convening of the Eightieth Congress, this committee has heard General Hirsch on the renegotiation of war contracts and Howard Hughes on the Kaiser-Hughes flying cargo ship.

Preliminary investigations on a variety of war expenditures are being conducted on which no public announcement has been made.

SPECIAL COMMITTEE TO STUDY PROBLEMS OF AMERICAN SMALL BUSINESS

Membership:

Kenneth S. Wherry, Nebr., James E. Murray, Mont.
Chairman. Allen J. Ellender, La.
George A. Wilson, Iowa Glen H. Taylor, Idaho
Homer E. Capehart, Ind. Spessard L. Holland, Fla.
Harry P. Cain, Wash. William B. Umstead, N. C.
Edward Martin, Pa.
Irving M. Ives, N. Y.
Zales N. Ecton, Mont.

George F. Meredith, Executive Director,
Raymond R. Dickey, Chief Counsel,
Bertram H. Wimer, Special Investigator,
Albert E. Johnson, Counsel,
Catherine L. Guyon, Consultant.

Membership of Subcommittees:**NEWSPRINT AND PAPER SHORTAGE**

Senators Capehart, *Chairman*; Cain, Martin, Murray, Ellender.

MINING AND MINERALS INDUSTRY

Senators Ecton, *Chairman*; Cain, Taylor.

LUMBER PRODUCTION AND DISTRIBUTION

Senator Cain, *Chairman*.

COMMUNICATIONS

Senators Wilson, *Chairman*; Ecton, Umstead.

Jurisdiction: This committee is authorized "to study and survey, by means of research, all the problems of American small business enterprises, obtaining all facts possible in relation thereto which would not only be of public interest, but which would aid the Congress in enacting remedial legislation." (Excerpt from S. Res. 20 of the 80th Cong.)

Activity: The Newsprint and Paper Shortage Subcommittee opened hearings on March 4 on the shortage of newsprint and its effect on smaller newspapers. On March 13, a conference was held with leading newspaper publishers, newsprint manufacturers, and others interested in this field, looking toward the completion of a plan to meet the critical newsprint shortage.

JOINT COMMITTEE ON ATOMIC ENERGY**Membership:****SENATE MEMBERS**

Bourke B. Hickenlooper, *Chairman*, Iowa.
Arthur H. Vandenberg, Mich.
Eugene D. Millikin, Colo.
William F. Knowland, Calif.
John W. Bricker, Ohio
Brien McMahon, Conn.
Richard B. Russell, Ga.
Edwin C. Johnson, Colo.
Tom Connally, Tex.

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Carl Hinshaw, Calif.
James E. Van Zandt, Pa.
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R. Ewing Thomason, Tex.
Carl T. Durham, N. C.
Chet Holifield, Calif.
Melvin Price, Ill.

Fred B. Rhodes, *Executive Director*.
Henry W. Hoagland, *Deputy Executive Director*.
Harold Bergman, *Professional Assistant*.
Paul Stickler, *Professional Assistant*.

Jurisdiction: The authority of this committee extends to:

(b) The joint committee shall make continuing studies of the activities of the Atomic Energy Commission and of problems relating to the development, use, and control of atomic energy. The Commission shall keep the joint committee fully and currently informed with respect to the Commission's activities. All bills, resolutions, and other matters in the Senate or the House of Representatives relating primarily to the Commission or to the development, use, or control of atomic energy shall be referred to the joint committee. The members of the joint committee who are Members of the Senate shall from time to time report to the Senate, and the members of the joint committee who are Members of the House of Representatives shall from time to time report to the House, by bill or otherwise, their recommen-

dations with respect to matters within the jurisdiction of their respective Houses which are (1) referred to the joint committee or (2) otherwise within the jurisdiction of the joint committee. (Excerpt from Public Law 585 of 79th Cong.)

Activity: The Senate section of the Committee has held 24 days of open hearings on the nominations to the Atomic Energy Commission. These hearings began January 27 and ended March 4. Total of 55 witnesses was heard.

HOUSE COMMITTEES

Each standing committee of the House is accounted for here separately. The report on each includes: the committee membership, any subcommittees which have been appointed together with membership, selected members of each committee staff, the jurisdiction of each standing committee as set forth in Public Law 601 of the 79th Congress, and a résumé of all legislative activity by each committee.

The House has approved two resolutions creating select committees, as follows:

H. Res. 58 creates a Select Committee to Investigate Need for Adequate Supplies of Newsprint, Printing and Wrapping Paper, Paper Products, Paper Pulp and Pulp Wood. The membership of this committee is as follows: Messrs. Brown, Ohio, *Chairman*, Wolverton, Shafer, Vursell, Beckworth, Harless of Arizona, Sikes.

H. Res. 18 creates a Select Committee on Small Business, whose membership has not yet been appointed.

COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE

[Republicans in roman and Democrats in italic]

Clifford R. Hope, Kans., *Chairman*. John W. Flannagan, Jr., Va.
man. Harold D. Cooley, N. C.
August H. Andresen, Minn. Orville Zimmerman, Mo.
Anton J. Johnson, Ill. Stephen Pace, Ga.
Reid F. Murray, Wis. W. R. Poage, Tex.
Cliff Clevenger, Ohio. George M. Grant, Ala.
George W. Gillie, Ind. Walter K. Granger, Utah.
Edwin Arthur Hall, N. Y. E. C. Gathings, Ark.
William S. Hill, Colo. John L. McMillan, S. C.
Charles B. Hoeven, Iowa. Eugene Worley, Tex.
Sid Simpson, Ill. Thomas G. Abernethy, Miss.
Chester H. Gross, Pa. E. L. Bartlett, Alaska.
Hadwen C. Fuller, N. Y. A. Fernós-Isern, Puerto Rico.
Ernest K. Bramblett, Calif.
Paul B. Dague, Pa.
Abe McGregor Goff, Idaho.
Norris Cotton, N. H.
Joseph R. Farrington, Hawaii.

George L. Reid, Jr., *Clerk*

Membership of subcommittees:**SUBCOMMITTEE No. 1**

Mr. Andresen, *Chairman*; Mr. Gillie, Mr. Simpson, Mr. Dague, Mr. Flannagan, Mr. Grant, Mr. McMillan.

SUBCOMMITTEE No. 2

Mr. Johnson, *Chairman*; Mr. Hall, Mr. Gross, Mr. Goff, Mr. Cooley, Mr. Poage, Mr. Worley.

SUBCOMMITTEE No. 3

Mr. Murray, *Chairman*; Mr. Hill, Mr. Fuller, Mr. Cotton, Mr. Zimmerman, Mr. Granger, Mr. Abernethy, Mr. Fernós-Isern.

SUBCOMMITTEE No. 4

Mr. Clevenger *Chairman*; Mr. Hoeven, Mr. Bramblett, Mr. Pace, Mr. Gathings, Mr. Farrington, Mr. Bartlett.

FOOD AND AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION COMMITTEE

Mr. Andresen, *Chairman*; Mr. Clevenger, Mr. Hill, Mr. Hoeven, Mr. Farrington, Mr. Pace, Mr. Poage, Mr. Gathings.

COMMITTEE ON FERTILIZER

Mr. Johnson, *Chairman*; Mr. Murray, Mr. Hoeven, Mr. Gross, Mr. Cooley, Mr. Grant, Mr. Abernethy.

COMMITTEE ON FOOT AND MOUTH DISEASE

Mr. Gillic, *Chairman*; Mr. Simpson, Mr. Bramblett, Mr. Granger, Mr. Worley.

COMMITTEE ON COTTON

Mr. Johnson, *Chairman*; Mr. Clevenger, Mr. Hill, Mr. Bramblett, Mr. Goff, Mr. Cooley, Mr. Zimmerman, Mr. Pace, Mr. Poage.

COMMITTEE ON FUR

Mr. Murray, *Chairman*; Mr. Hall, Mr. Dague, Mr. Cotton, Mr. Granger, Mr. McMillan, Mr. Abernethy, Mr. Bartlett.

Jurisdiction (standing committee): All "proposed legislation, messages, petitions, memorials, and other matters" relating to the following subjects "shall be referred" to this committee:

Agriculture generally.
Inspection of livestock and meat products.
Animal industry and diseases of animals.
Adulteration of seeds, insect pests, and protection of birds and animals in forest reserves.
Agricultural colleges and experiment stations.
Forestry in general, and forest reserves other than those created from the public domain.
Agricultural economics and research.
Agricultural and industrial chemistry.
Dairy industry.
Entomology and plant quarantine.
Human nutrition and home economics.
Plant industry, soils, and agricultural engineering.
Agricultural educational extension services.
Extension of farm credit and farm security.
Rural electrification.
Agricultural production and marketing and stabilization of prices of agricultural products.
Crop insurance and soil conservation.

Activity: Hearings held by full committee:

Agriculture price support policy. Policy of the Department of Agriculture as outlined by Secretary Anderson.
H. R. 452, marketing agreements and orders.
H. R. 2102, 6-month extension of farm labor supply program. H. Rept. No. 70 passed House March 4, 1947.
S. 568, foot-and-mouth disease, approved February 28, 1947. Public Law No. 8.
H. R. 63, H. R. 1890, and H. R. 2318, all relating to the subject of wool.

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COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

John Taber, N. Y., *Chairman*. Clarence Cannon, Mo.
Richard B. Wigglesworth, Louis Ludlow, Ind.
Mass. John H. Kerr, N. C.
Charles A. Plumley, Vt. George H. Mahon, Tex.
Everett M. Dirksen, Ill. Harry R. Sheppard, Calif.
Albert J. Engel, Mich. Albert Thomas, Tex.
Karl Stefan, Nebr. Joe Hendricks, Fla.
Francis Case, S. Dak. Michael J. Kirwan, Ohio.
Frank B. Keefe, Wis. W. F. Norrell, Ark.
Noble J. Johnson, Ind. Albert Gore, Tenn.
Robert F. Jones, Ohio. Jamie L. Whitten, Miss.
Ben F. Jensen, Iowa. Thomas D'Alesandro, Jr., Md.
H. Carl Andersen, Minn. George W. Andrews, Ala.
Walter C. Ploeser, Mo. John J. Rooney, N. Y.
Harve Tibbott, Pa. J. Vaughan Gary, Va.
Walt Horan, Wash. Joe B. Bates, Ky.
Gordon Canfield, N. J. Thomas J. O'Brien, Ill.
George B. Schwabe, Okla. John E. Fogarty, R. I.
Ivor D. Fenton, Pa.
Ralph E. Church, Ill.
P. W. Griffiths, Ohio.
Lowell Stockman, Oreg.
John Phillips, Calif.
Errett P. Scrivner, Kans.
Charles R. Robertson, N. Dak.
Frederic R. Coudert, Jr., N. Y.

George Y. Harvey, *Acting Clerk*

Membership of subcommittees:**DEFICIENCIES**

Messrs. Taber, Wigglesworth, Engel, Stefan, Case, Keefe, Cannon, Kerr, and Mahon.

INDEPENDENT OFFICES

Messrs. Wigglesworth, Phillips, Robertson, Coudert, Hendricks, Andrews, and Thomas.

TREASURY AND POST OFFICE

Messrs. Canfield, Dirksen, Griffiths, Robertson, D'Alesandro, Gary, and Bates.

AGRICULTURE

Messrs. Dirksen, Plumley, Andersen, Horan, Phillips, Cannon, Sheppard, and Whitten.

INTERIOR

Messrs. Jones, Jensen, Fenton, Stockman, Kirwan, Norrell, and Gore.

WAR

Messrs. Engel, Case, Tibbott, Scrivner, Kerr, Mahon, and Norrell.

LEGISLATIVE

Messrs. Johnson, Tibbott, Canfield, Griffiths, Cannon, Kirwan, and Andrews.

STATE, JUSTICE, COMMERCE, AND JUDICIARY

Messrs. Stefan, Jones, Horan, Fenton, Rooney, Gary, and O'Brien.

NAVY

Messrs. Plumley, Johnson, Ploeser, Scrivner, Sheppard, Thomas, and D'Alesandro.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Messrs. Horan, Stefan, Church, Stockman, Andrews, Bates, and Fogarty.

LABOR-FEDERAL SECURITY

Messrs. Keefe, Andersen, Schwabe, Church, Rooney, Hendricks, and Fogarty.

GOVERNMENT CORPORATIONS

Messrs. Jensen, Ploeser, Schwabe, Coudert, Mahon, Whitten, and Gore.

Jurisdiction (Standing Committee): All "proposed legislation, messages, petitions, memorials and other matters" relating to the following subjects "shall be referred" to this committee: The Committee on Appropriations has jurisdiction over appropriation of the revenue for the support of the Government.

Activity: The Committee on Appropriations reported the urgent deficiency bill (H. R. 1968) to the House on February 17 (Rept. No. 36). This bill is now at the White House awaiting signature of the President. On March 7, the Treasury and Post Office Departments appropriation bill for 1948 (H. R. 2436) was reported to the House (Rept. No. 103). The House passed this bill on March 11 and sent it to the Senate where it is now pending.

The committee has also held hearings on the labor Federal security bill.

This committee was granted power of subpoena by House Resolution 50 amending section 202 (b) of the House Rules.

COMMITTEE ON ARMED SERVICES

Walter G. Andrews, N. Y.,
Chairman.
Dewey Short, Mo.
Leslie C. Arends, Ill.
W. Sterling Cole, N. Y.
Charles R. Clason, Mass.
J. Parnell Thomas, N. J.
George J. Bates, Mass.
Paul W. Shafer, Mich.
William E. Hess, Ohio.
Charles H. Elston, Ohio.
Jack Z. Anderson, Calif.
William W. Blackney, Mich.
Margaret Chase Smith, Maine
Leroy Johnson, Calif.
Harry L. Towe, N. J.
C. W. (Runt) Bishop, Ill.
Leon H. Gavin, Pa.
Walter Norblad, Oreg.
James E. Van Zandt, Pa.

Carl Vinson, Ga.
Patrick H. Drewry, Va.
R. Ewing Thomason, Tex.
Overton Brooks, La.
Lyndon B. Johnson, Tex.
Paul J. Kilday, Tex.
Carl T. Durham, N. C.
Lansdale G. Sasser, Md.
James J. Heffernan, N. Y.
L. Mendel Rivers, S. C.
Robert L. P. Sikes, Fla.
Philip J. Philbin, Mass.
F. Edward Hébert, La.
Arthur Winstead, Miss.

E. L. Bartlett, Alaska.
A. Fernós-Isern, P. R.

Joseph R. Farrington, Hawaii.

Robert H. Harper, Clerk

Membership of subcommittees:

No. 1. PERSONNEL

Mr. Short, *Chairman*; Mr. Arends, Mr. Cole of New York, Mr. Bates of Massachusetts, Mrs. Smith of Maine, Mr. Gavin, Mr. Drewry, Mr. Johnson of Texas, Mr. Kilday, Mr. Sikes.

No. 2. EDUCATION AND TRAINING

Mr. Towe, *Chairman*; Mr. Short, Mr. Arends, Mr. Thomas of New Jersey, Mr. Norblad, Mr. Van Zandt, Mr. Thomason, Mr. Sasser, Mr. Sikes, Mr. Winstead, Mr. Fernós-Isern.

No. 3. ORGANIZATION AND MOBILIZATION

Mr. Shafer, *Chairman*; Mr. Short, Mr. Cole of New York, Mr. Johnson of California, Mr. Bishop, Mr. Van Zandt, Mr. Farrington, Mr. Brook, Mr. Johnson of Texas, Mr. Durham, Mr. Sasser, Mr. Fernós-Isern.

No. 4. HEAVY MUNITIONS

Mr. Hess, *Chairman*; Mr. Thomas, Mr. Anderson of California, Mr. Johnson of California, Mr. Bishop, Mr. Van Zandt, Mr. Farrington, Mr. Heffernan, Mr. Drewry, Mr. Philbin, Mr. Hébert, Mr. Bartlett.

No. 5. AIR MATÉRIEL

Mr. Clason, *Chairman*; Mr. Arends, Mr. Hess, Mr. Elston, Mr. Johnson of California, Mr. Norblad, Mr. Johnson of Texas, Mr. Brooks, Mr. Rivers, Mr. Winstead, Mr. Bartlett.

No. 6. PROCUREMENT AND SUPPLY

Mr. Anderson of California, *Chairman*; Mr. Thomas, Mr. Bates of Massachusetts, Mr. Towe, Mr. Bishop, Mr. Van Zandt, Mr. Philbin, Mr. Drewry, Mr. Heffernan, Mr. Hébert.

No. 7. SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT

Mr. Johnson of California, *Chairman*; Mr. Arends, Mr. Clason, Mr. Elston, Mr. Anderson of California, Mrs. Smith of Maine, Mr. Durham, Mr. Thomason, Mr. Sasser, Mr. Sikes.

No. 8. POSTS AND STATIONS

Mr. Bates, *Chairman*; Mr. Arends, Mr. Cole of New York, Mr. Shafer, Mr. Hess, Mr. Bishop, Mr. Gavin, Mr. Farrington, Mr. Sasser, Mr. Brooks, Mr. Johnson of Texas, Mr. Kilday, Mr. Rivers, Mr. Bartlett.

No. 9. HOSPITALIZATION, HEALTH (MEDICAL CORPS)

Mrs. Smith, *Chairman*; Mr. Bates, Mr. Shafer, Mr. Anderson, Mr. Blackney, Mr. Gavin, Mr. Farrington, Mr. Rivers, Mr. Durham, Mr. Philbin, Mr. Winstead, Mr. Fernós-Isern.

No. 10. PAY, ADMINISTRATION

Mr. Blackney, *Chairman*; Mr. Cole, Mr. Shafer, Mr. Elston, Mr. Gavin, Mr. Norblad, Mr. Sikes, Mr. Durham, Mr. Heffernan, Mr. Hébert.

No. 11. LEGAL

Mr. Elston, *Chairman*; Mr. Clason, Mr. Hess, Mr. Johnson of California, Mr. Towe, Mr. Norblad, Mr. Kilday, Mr. Thomason, Mr. Brooks, Mr. Rivers.

No. 12. PLANS, ORGANIZATION AND POLICY OF THE COMMITTEE ON ARMED SERVICES

Mr. Andrews, *Chairman*; Mr. Short, Mr. Arends, Mr. Cole, Mr. Vinson, Mr. Drewry, Mr. Thomason.

NOTE.—The Chairman and the Ranking Minority Member are ex officio members of all subcommittees.

Jurisdiction (Standing Committee): All "proposed legislation, messages, petitions, memorials, and other matters" relating to the following subjects "shall be referred" to this committee:

Common defense generally.
The War Department and the Military Establishment generally.
The Navy Department and the Naval Establishment generally.
Soldiers' and sailors' homes.
Pay, promotion, retirement, and other benefits and privileges of members of the armed forces.
Selective service.
Size and composition of the Army and Navy.
Forts, arsenals, military reservations, and navy yards.
Ammunition depots.

Conservation, development, and use of naval petroleum and oil shale reserves.

Strategic and critical materials necessary for the common defense.

Scientific research and development in support of the armed services.

Activity: Numerous bills relating to personnel of the armed forces have been considered by the Committee on Armed Services.

Thirteen bills amending Mustering-out Payment Act of 1944, and 24 bills amending the Armed Forces Leave Act are pending in the committee.

Bills affecting retirement of officers, promotions, transportation of dependents, mileage and travel allowances, and amendments to Pay Readjustment Act are pending or are in the process of hearings in the committee.

COMMITTEE ON BANKING AND CURRENCY

Jesse P. Wolcott, Mich.,
Chairman.
Ralph A. Gamble, N. Y.
Frederick C. Smith, Ohio.
John C. Kunkel, Pa.
Henry O. Talle, Iowa.
Frank L. Sundstrom, N. J.
Rolla C. McMillen, Ill.
Clarence E. Kilburn, N. Y.
Howard H. Buffett, Nebr.
Albert M. Cole, Kans.
Merlin Hull, Wis.
William G. Stratton, Ill.
Hardie Scott, Pa.
Parke M. Banta, Mo.
Charles K. Fletcher, Calif.
Ellsworth B. Foote, Conn.

Brent Spence, Ky.
Paul Brown, Ga.
Wright Patman, Tex.
A. S. Mike Monroney, Okla.
John H. Folger, N. C.
Brooks Hays, Ark.
John J. Riley, S. C.
Albert Rains, Ala.
Donald L. O'Toole, N. Y.
Frank Buchanan, Pa.
Hale Boggs, La.

William J. Hallahan, Clerk
Orman S. Fink, Professional Staff Director

Jurisdiction (Standing Committee): All "proposed legislation, messages, petitions, memorials, and other matters" relating to the following subjects "shall be referred" to this committee:

Banking and currency generally.
Financial aid to commerce and industry, other than matters relating to such aid which are specifically assigned to other committees under this rule.
Deposit insurance.
Public and private housing.
Federal Reserve System.
Gold and silver, including the coinage thereof.
Issuance of notes and redemption thereof.
Valuation and revaluation of the dollar.
Control of prices of commodities, rents, or services.

Activity: The Banking and Currency Committee on February 24 and 25 met with a subcommittee of the Appropriations Committee to determine policy with regard to the disposition of permanent war housing units under the jurisdiction of the Federal Public Housing Authority. The committee will take up the matter of the disposition of these housing units within a reasonable time and establish standards governing the disposition of such properties.

The committee has held numerous hearings on the sugar situation and, on March 13, reported H. J. Res. 146 (Rep. No. 150).

On March 17, the committee started open hearings on housing and rent control (H. R. 2549).

COMMITTEE ON POST OFFICE AND CIVIL SERVICE

Edward H. Rees, Kans.,
Chairman.
William H. Stevenson, Wis.
John C. Butler, N. Y.
William C. Cole, Mo.
Charles W. Vursell, Ill.
Harold C. Hagen, Minn.
Robert J. Corbett, Pa.
James P. Scoblick, Pa.
Robert J. Twyman, Ill.
Katharine St. George, N. Y.
Thurston Ballard Morton, Ky.
Antoni N. Sadlak, Conn.
Harold F. Youngblood, Mich.
Homer R. Jones, Wash.
Francis J. Love, W. Va.

Tom Murray, Tenn.
John E. Lyle, Tex.
James H. Morrison, La.
George P. Miller, Calif.
J. M. Combs, Tex.
Earle C. Clements, Ky.
J. Lindsay Almond, Jr., Va.
Carl Albert, Okla.
Laurie C. Battle, Ala.
James C. Davis, Ga.

George M. Moore, Chief Counsel

Jurisdiction (Standing Committee): All "proposed legislation, messages, petitions, memorials, and other matters" relating to the following subjects "shall be referred" to this committee:

The Federal civil service generally.
The status of officers and employees of the United States, including their compensation, classification, and retirement.
The postal service generally, including the railway mail service, and measures relating to ocean mail and pneumatic-tube service; but excluding post roads.
Postal-savings banks.
Census and the collection of statistics generally.
The National Archives.

Activity: The Committee on Post Office and Civil Service has had 79 bills and 1 House joint resolution referred to it and has reported favorably H. R. 1350, amending the National Archives Act (Rept. No. 44). The committee also reported favorably H. R. 1713 which provides for promotion of substitute employees in the Postal Service (Rept. No. 47). This bill was passed by the House on March 3 and is now pending in the Senate.

COMMITTEE ON THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Everett M. Dirksen, Ill., *Chairman*.
George J. Bates, Mass.
Sid Simpson, Ill.
J. Glenn Beall, Md.
Joseph P. O'Hara, Minn.
Henry O. Talle, Iowa.
A. L. Miller, Nebr.
James C. Auchincloss, N. J.
John McDowell, Pa.
John J. Allen, Jr., Calif.
Gregory McMahon, N. Y.
Harold F. Youngblood, Mich.
Robert N. McGarvey, Pa.
Homer R. Jones, Wash.

John L. McMillan, S. C.
Oren Harris, Ark.
F. Edward Hébert, La.
Thomas G. Abernethy, Miss.
Howard W. Smith, Va.
Arthur G. Klein, N. Y.
Olin E. Teague, Tex.
Charles B. Deane, N. C.
John F. Kennedy, Mass.
Robert E. Jones, Jr., Ala.

Mabel Haller, Clerk

Membership of subcommittees:

JUDICIARY

Mr. O'Hara, *Chairman*; Mr. McMahon, Mr. Allen, Mr. Harris, Mr. Abernethy.

FISCAL AFFAIRS

Mr. Bates, *Chairman*; Mr. O'Hara, Mr. Talle, Mr. Smith, Mr. Klein.

PUBLIC UTILITIES—INSURANCE AND BANKING

Mr. Simpson, *Chairman*; Mr. Bates, Mr. McDowell, Mr. Kennedy, Mr. Teague.

HEALTH, EDUCATION, RECREATION (PUBLIC WELFARE)

Mr. Miller, *Chairman*; Mr. Auchincloss, Mr. Youngblood, Mr. Deane, Mr. Hébert.

PUBLIC SERVICE—STREETS AND TRAFFIC

Mr. Beall, *Chairman*; Mr. Simpson, Mr. Allen, Mr. Jones of Washington, Mr. McMillan, Mr. Hébert.

HOME RULE AND REORGANIZATION FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
Mr. Auchincloss, *Chairman*; Mr. McGarvey, Mr. Youngblood, Mr. Deane, Mr. Jones of Alabama.

Jurisdiction (Standing Committee): All "proposed legislation, messages, petitions, memorials, and other matters" relating to the following subjects "shall be referred" to this committee:

All measures relating to the municipal affairs of the District of Columbia in general, other than appropriations therefor, including—
Public health and safety, sanitation, and quarantine regulations.
Regulation of sale of intoxicating liquors.
Adulteration of food and drugs.
Taxes and tax sales.
Insurance, executors, administrators, wills, and divorce.
Municipal and juvenile courts.
Incorporation and organization of societies.
Municipal code and amendments to the criminal and corporation laws.

Activity: The committee held its first meeting on January 22, 1947. The regular meeting day was set for the first Monday of each month. In the interest of efficiency, it was determined, when possible, to have joint subcommittee hearings with the Senate.

On February 4, the Home Rule and Reorganization Subcommittee held its first meeting. Hearings on a home-rule bill for the District are tentatively scheduled for May or June.

On February 13, the full committee reported H. R. 1700, the daylight-saving bill, which was subsequently defeated in the House. On February 17, the Health, Education and Recreation Subcommittee gave consideration to seven bills pending before it, and hearings were scheduled on H. R. 496 (alcoholics' rehabilitation program). Executive session is scheduled for March 19 for rewriting of new bill.

On March 18, the Fiscal Affairs Subcommittees of the Senate and House will begin hearings on several tax bills. These hearings will continue each Tuesday and Thursday thereafter until completed. The bills re-

ported by the various District subcommittees will be given consideration on April 7 at the third meeting of the full committee.

COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION AND LABOR

Fred A. Hartley, Jr., N. J., *Chairman*.
Gerald W. Landis, Ind.
Clare E. Hoffman, Mich.
Edward O. McCowen, Ohio.
Max Schwabe, Mo.
Samuel K. McConnell, Jr., Pa.
Ralph W. Gwinn, N. Y.
Ellsworth B. Buck, N. Y.
Walter E. Brehm, Ohio.
Wint Smith, Kans.
Charles J. Kersten, Wis.
George MacKinnon, Minn.
Thomas L. Owens, Ill.
Carroll D. Kearns, Pa.
Richard M. Nixon, Calif.

W. Manly Sheppard, *Clerk*.

Membership of subcommittees:

No. 1. MEASURES RELATING TO EDUCATION GENERALLY

- (a) Federal Aid
- (b) Vocational Rehabilitation
- (c) School Lunch Program

Mr. McCowen, *Chairman*; Mr. Landis, Mr. Schwabe, Mr. Gwinn, Mr. Brehm, Mr. Owens, Mr. Kearns, Mr. Lesinski, Mr. Barden, Mr. Powell, Mr. Kennedy.

No. 2. INSTITUTIONS

- (a) Columbia Institution for Deaf, Dumb, and Blind
- (b) Howard University
- (c) Freedmen's Hospital
- (d) St. Elizabeths Hospital

Mr. Buck, *Chairman*; Mr. McCowen, Mr. Gwinn, Mr. Brehm, Mr. Nixon, Mr. Barden, Mr. Powell, Mr. Wood.

No. 3. MEDIATION AND ARBITRATION OF LABOR DISPUTES

- (a) Collective Bargaining
- Mr. Landis, *Chairman*; Mr. Hoffman, Mr. McConnell, Mr. Buck, Mr. Brehm, Mr. Kersten, Mr. MacKinnon, Mr. Lesinski, Mr. Kelley, Mr. Madden, Mr. Lucas.

No. 4. WAGES AND HOURS OF LABOR

- (a) Labor Statistics
 - (b) Labor Standards
- Mr. McConnell, *Chairman*; Mr. Smith, Mr. Kersten, Mr. MacKinnon, Mr. Owens, Mr. Fisher, Mr. Madden, Mr. Klein.

No. 5. TYPES OF LABOR

- (a) Child Labor
 - (b) Convict Labor and Entry of Goods made by Convicts into Interstate Commerce
 - (c) Regulation or Prevention of Importation of Foreign Laborers under contract
- Mr. Gwinn, *Chairman*; Mr. Smith, Mr. MacKinnon, Mr. Kearns, Mr. Nixon, Mr. Klein, Mr. Kennedy, Mr. Lucas.

No. 6. WELFARE

- (a) Welfare of Miners
 - (b) Physically Handicapped
 - (c) United States Employees' Compensation Commission
- Mr. Schwabe, *Chairman*; Mr. Smith, Mr. Kersten, Mr. Kearns, Mr. Nixon, Mr. Kelley, Mr. Fisher, Mr. Wood.

Jurisdiction (Standing Committee): All "proposed legislation, messages, petitions, memorials, and other matters" relating to the following subjects "shall be referred" to this committee:

Measures relating to education or labor generally.
Mediation and arbitration of labor disputes.
Wages and hours of labor.
Convict labor and the entry of goods made by convicts into interstate commerce.
Regulation or prevention of importation of foreign laborers under contract.
Child labor.
Labor statistics.
Labor standards.
School-lunch program.
Vocational rehabilitation.
United States Employees' Compensation Commission.
Columbia Institution for the Deaf, Dumb, and Blind; Howard University; Freedmen's Hospital; and Saint Elizabeths Hospital.
Welfare of minors.

Activity: In excess of 60 bills have been referred to the Committee on Education and Labor.

From February 5 to March 15, inclusive, public hearings relative to the National Labor Relations Act were held twice a day. Many bills were considered in these hearings.

The committee expects to start executive sessions on new labor legislation next Thursday, March 20.

COMMITTEE ON EXPENDITURES IN THE EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENTS

Clare E. Hoffman, Mich., *Chairman*.
George H. Bender, Ohio.
Walter H. Judd, Minn.
Robert F. Rich, Pa.
Henry J. Latham, N. Y.
James W. Wadsworth, N. Y.
Forest A. Harness, Ind.
Clarence J. Brown, Ohio.
Ross Rizley, Okla.
J. Edgar Chenoweth, Colo.
Fred E. Busbey, Ill.
Melvin C. Snyder, W. Va.
J. Caleb Boggs, Del.
R. Walter Riehlman, N. Y.
Mitchell Jenkins, Pa.

Mrs. Annabell Zuc, *Clerk*.

PROFESSIONAL STAFF:

William A. Young,
Francis T. O'Donnell,
Carl E. Hoffman.

Membership of subcommittees:

SURPLUS PROPERTY

Mr. Rizley, *Chairman*; Mr. Jenkins, Mr. Snyder, Mr. Holifield, Mr. Dorn.

STATE DEPARTMENT

Mr. Chenoweth, *Chairman*; Mr. Judd, Mr. Busbey, Mr. Manasco, Mr. McCormack.

EXTRA LEGAL ACTIVITIES IN DEPARTMENTS

Mr. Hoffman, *Chairman*; Mr. Bender, Mr. Harness, Mr. Boggs, Mr. Delancy, Mr. Karsten, Mr. Lanham.

PROPAGANDA AND PUBLICITY

Mr. Harness, *Chairman*; Mr. Wadsworth, Mr. Latham, Mr. Manasco, Mr. Wilson.

PROCUREMENT AND BUILDINGS

Mr. Bender, *Chairman*; Mr. Rich, Mr. Riehlman, Mr. McCormack, Mr. Hardy.

Jurisdiction (Standing Committee): All "proposed legislation, messages, petitions, memorials, and other matters" relating to the following subjects "shall be referred" to this committee:

Budget and accounting measures, other than appropriations.
Reorganizations in the executive branch of the Government. Such committee shall have the duty of—
Receiving and examining reports of the Comptroller General of the United States and of submitting such recommendations to the House at it deems necessary or desirable in connection with the subject matter of such reports;
Studying the operation of Government activities at all levels with a view to determining its economy and efficiency;
Evaluating the effects of laws enacted to reorganize the legislative and executive branches of the Government;
Studying intergovernmental relationships between the United States and the States and municipalities, and between the United States and international organizations of which the United States is a member.

Activity: The Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments has had 21 bills referred to it and has reported favorably H. R. 2076 (Rept. No. 92), which limits the time within which the General Accounting Office shall make final settlement of the monthly or quarterly accounts of fiscal officers.
On February 4, the committee held an open hearing on H. R. 600, providing for an increase in the allowance to certain Government officials for the use of private vehicles for official travel.
Hearings are scheduled for March 25 on H. R. 2319, providing for a national defense establishment.
This committee was granted power of subpoena by House Resolution 90.

COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN AFFAIRS

Charles A. Eaton, N. J., *Chairman*.
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John M. Vorys, Ohio.
Karl E. Mundt, S. Dak.
Bartel J. Jonkman, Mich.
Frances P. Bolton, Ohio.
Charles L. Gerlach, Pa.
Lawrence H. Smith, Wis.
Chester E. Merrow, N. H.
Walter H. Judd, Minn.
James G. Fulton, Pa.
Jacob K. (Jack) Javits, N. Y.
John Davis Lodge, Conn.
Donald L. Jackson, Calif.

Boyd Crawford, *Clerk*.

Membership of subcommittees:

No. 1. THE FAR EAST

John M. Vorys, *Chairman*; Walter H. Judd, James G. Fulton, James P. Richards, Helen Gahagan Douglas.

No. 2. EASTERN EUROPE, THE NEAR EAST

Karl E. Mundt, *Chairman*; Lawrence H. Smith, Chester E. Merrow, Thomas S. Gordon, William M. Colmer.

No. 3. WESTERN EUROPE AND THE MEDITERRANEAN

Bartel J. Jonkman, *Chairman*; Charles L. Gerlach, John Davis Lodge, Sol Bloom, John Kee, Wirt Courtney.

No. 4. AFRICA AND THE MEDITERRANEAN

Frances P. Bolton, *Chairman*; Charles L. Gerlach, Joseph L. Pfeifer, Thomas E. Morgan.

No. 5. WESTERN HEMISPHERE

Robert B. Chipfield, *Chairman*; Donald L. Jackson, Jacob K. Javits, Pete Jarman, Mike Mansfield.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON DEPARTMENT OF STATE PERSONNEL

Bartel J. Jonkman, *Chairman*; Karl E. Mundt, William M. Colmer.

Jurisdiction (Standing Committee): All "proposed legislation, messages, petitions, memorials, and other matters" relating to the following subjects "shall be referred" to this committee:

Relations of the United States with foreign nations generally.
Establishment of boundary lines between the United States and foreign nations.
Protection of American citizens abroad and expatriation.
Neutrality.
International conferences and congresses.
The American National Red Cross.
Intervention abroad and declarations of war.
Measures relating to the diplomatic service.
Acquisition of land and buildings for embassies and legations in foreign countries.
Measures to foster commercial intercourse with foreign nations and to safeguard American business interests abroad.
United Nations Organization and international financial and monetary organizations.
Foreign loans.

Activity: Thirteen meetings have been held to date. After the January 15 informal meeting with the Crown Prince of Saudi Arabia, the organization meeting took place on January 28.

On February 4, H. Res. 80 (information regarding United States troop withdrawals from China) was reported adversely; H. R. 1040 (authorizing payment of \$425,88 by United States to Switzerland) was reported favorably; H. R. 1416 (authorizing certain retired officers of the United States to wear decorations awarded by certain countries) was deferred. Members were named to subcommittees.

Executive session with the Secretary of State was held on February 18.

H. J. Res. 134 (providing assistance to war-devastated countries) was considered from February 25 through March 7.

Committee consideration in executive session was given to the situation in Greece and Turkey on March 14.

The Acting Secretary of State, the Secretary of War, and the Secretary of the Navy were in attendance.

COMMITTEE ON HOUSE ADMINISTRATION

Karl M. LeCompte, Iowa, *Chairman*.
Ralph A. Gamble, N. Y.
C. W. (Runt) Bishop, Ill.
Frank L. Sundstrom, N. J.
Charles W. Vursell, Ill.
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Gregory McMahon, N. Y.
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J. Caleb Boggs, Del.
Howard A. Coffin, Mich.

Mary T. Norton, N. J.
Tom Pickett, Tex.
Thomas B. Stanley, Va.
Burr P. Harrison, Va.
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Omar Burleson, Tex.
Hugh A. Meade, Md.
Toby Morris, Okla.
George A. Smathers, Fla.
John Bell Williams, Miss.
Charles B. Deane, N. C.

Marjorie Savage, *Clerk*

Membership of subcommittees:

1. ACCOUNTS

Frank L. Sundstrom, *Chairman*; Fred E. Busbey, James Gallagher, Gregory McMahon, Tom Pickett, Thomas B. Stanley, Hugh A. Meade.

2. ELECTIONS

Ralph A. Gamble, *Chairman*; Charles W. Vursell, Gerald W. Landis, William C. Cole, Tom Pickett, Burr P. Harrison, George A. Smathers.

3. PRINTING

Robert J. Corbett, *Chairman*; E. Walter Riehlman, J. Caleb Boggs, Howard A. Coffin, Otto E. Passman, John Bell Williams, Charles B. Deane.

4. ENROLLED BILLS, LIBRARY, DISPOSITION OF EXECUTIVE PAPERS, AND MEMORIALS

C. W. (Runt) Bishop, *Chairman*; Gerald W. Landis, Robert J. Corbett, James Gallagher, Mary Norton, Omar Burleson, Toby Morris.

JOINT COMMITTEES ON—

PRINTING

Karl M. LeCompte, Ralph A. Gamble, Tom Pickett.

LIBRARY

Karl M. LeCompte, C. W. (Runt) Bishop, Gerald W. Landis, Mary T. Norton, Hugh A. Meade.

Jurisdiction (Standing Committee): All "proposed legislation, messages, petitions, memorials, and other matters" relating to the following subjects "shall be referred" to this committee:

Employment of persons by the House, including clerks for Members and committees; and reporters of debates.
Expenditure of the contingent fund of the House.
The auditing and settling of all accounts which may be charged to the contingent fund.
Measures relating to accounts of the House generally.
Appropriations from the contingent fund.
Measures relating to services to the House, including the House Restaurant and administration of the House Office Buildings and of the House wing of the Capitol.
Measures relating to the travel of Members of the House.

Measures relating to the assignment of office space for Members and committees.

Measures relating to the disposition of useless executive papers. Except as provided in paragraph (o) 8, matters relating to the Library of Congress and the House Library; statutory and pictures; acceptance or purchase of works of art for the Capitol; the Botanic Gardens; management of the Library of Congress; purchase of books and manuscripts; erection of monuments to the memory of individuals.

Except as provided in paragraph (o) 8, matters relating to the Smithsonian Institution and the incorporation of similar institutions.

Matters relating to printing and correction of the Congressional Record.

Measures relating to the election of the President, Vice President, or Members of Congress; corrupt practices; contested elections; credentials and qualifications; and Federal elections generally. Such committee shall also have the duty of—

Examining all bills, amendments, and joint resolution after passage by the House; and in cooperation with the Senate Committee on Rules and Administration, of examining all bills and joint resolutions which shall have passed both Houses, to see that they are correctly enrolled; and when signed by the Speaker of the House and the President of the Senate, shall forthwith present the same, when they shall have originated in the House, to the President of the United States in person, and report the fact and date of such presentation to the House;

Reporting to the Sergeant at Arms of the House the travel of Members of the House;

Arranging a suitable program for each day observed by the House of Representatives as a memorial day in memory of Members of the Senate and House of Representatives who have died during the preceding period, and to arrange for the publication of the proceedings thereof.

Activity: The Committee on House Administration has reported 15 House resolutions and one House concurrent resolution, all of which have been passed by the House.

COMMITTEE ON INTERSTATE AND FOREIGN COMMERCE

Charles A. Wolverton, N. J., *Chairman*.
Carl Hinshaw, Calif.
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Leonard W. Hall, N. Y.
Joseph P. O'Hara, Minn.
Wilson D. Gillette, Pa.
Robert Hale, Maine.
Harris Ellsworth, Oreg.
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Edward J. Elsaesser, N. Y.
John W. Heselton, Mass.
Hugh D. Scott, Jr., Pa.
William J. Miller, Conn.
Henderson H. Carson, Ohio.
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Clarence F. Lea, Calif.
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Elton J. Layton, *Clerk*

Jurisdiction (Standing Committee): All "proposed legislation, messages, petitions, memorials, and other matters" relating to the following subjects "shall be referred" to this committee:

Interstate and foreign commerce generally.

Regulation of interstate and foreign transportation, except transportation by water not subject to the jurisdiction of the Interstate Commerce Commission.

Regulation of interstate and foreign communications.
Civil aeronautics.

Weather bureau.

Interstate oil compacts; and petroleum and natural gas, except on the public lands.

Securities and exchanges.

Regulation of interstate transmission of power, except the installation of connections between Government water power projects.

Railroad labor and railroad retirement and unemployment, except revenue measures relating thereto.

Public health and quarantine.

Inland waterways.

Bureau of Standards, standardization of weights and measures, and the metric system.

Activity: Full committee hearings and executive sessions have been held twice daily since January 17 with extensive hearings on pipe lines, air safety, and safety fuels.

Executive conferences with ICC, ODT, FSA, SEC, Public Health, Food and Drug Administration, and other agencies have taken place.

Two bills have passed both Houses of Congress, namely: H. R. 1778, amend Federal Firearms Act; H. R. 2045, amend Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act of 1938 so as to place "Streptomycin" on industrial market.

A further bill, reported favorably, is H. R. 2123 (Rept. No. 121), to amend Locomotive Inspection Act of 1911. Now pending on House Calendar.

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

Earl C. Michener, Mich., *Chairman*.
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Frank L. Chelf, Ky.
Ed Gossett, Tex.

C. Murray Bernhardt, *Clerk*

Membership of subcommittees:

No. 1

Mr. Robsion, *Chairman*; Mr. Reed, Mr. Jennings, Mr. Chadwick, Mr. Celler, Mr. Chelf, Mr. Gossett.

No. 2

Mr. Gwynne, *Chairman*; Mr. Goodwin, Mr. Case, Mr. Walter, Mr. Bryson, Mr. Lane.

No. 3

Mr. Graham, *Chairman*; Mr. Lewis, Mr. Reeves, Mr. Keating, Mr. Hobbs, Mr. Kefauver, Mr. Gorski.

No. 4

Mr. Springer, *Chairman*; Mr. Fellows, Mr. Devitt, Mr. Byrne, Mr. Cravens, Mr. Feighan.

BANKRUPTCY AND REORGANIZATION

Mr. Reed *Chairman*; Mr. Gwynne, Mr. Goodwin, Mr. Devitt, Mr. Hobbs, Mr. Kefauver, Mr. Gorski.

IMMIGRATION AND NATURALIZATION

Mr. Fellows, *Chairman*; Mr. Robson, Mr. Graham, Mr. Celler, Mr. Chelf, Mr. Gossett.

PATENTS, TRADE-MARKS, COPYRIGHTS

Mr. Lewis, *Chairman*; Mr. Chadwick, Mr. Keating, Mr. Walter, Mr. Bryson, Mr. Lane.

CLAIMS

Mr. Jennings, *Chairman*; Mr. Springer, Mr. Case, Mr. Reeves, Mr. Byrne, Mr. Cravens, Mr. Feighan.

Jurisdiction (Standing Committee): All "proposed legislation, messages, petitions, memorials, and other matters" relating to the following subjects "shall be referred" to this committee:

Judicial proceedings, civil and criminal, generally.
Constitutional amendments.
Federal courts and judges.
Local courts in the Territories and possessions.
Revision and codification of the statutes of the United States.
National penitentiaries.
Protection of trade and commerce against unlawful restraints and monopolies.
Holidays and celebrations.
Bankruptcy, mutiny, espionage, and counterfeiting.
State and Territorial boundary lines.
Meetings of Congress, attendance of Members, and their acceptance of incompatible offices.
Civil liberties.
Patents, copyrights, and trade-marks.
Patent Office.
Immigration and naturalization.
Apportionment of Representatives.
Measures relating to claims against the United States.
Interstate compacts generally.
Presidential succession.

Activity: Since the Eightieth Congress convened a total of 1,257 bills and resolutions have been referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. This number includes 556 private claims bills and 357 private immigration and naturalization bills.

Hearings have been held on a number of public and private measures (including 6 days on the "portal-to-portal pay" legislation and 3 days on "war and emergency powers").

Of the 10 public measures reported favorably, the following 3 have been passed by the House: H. J. Res. 27, proposing an amendment to the Constitution relating to the terms of office of the President; H. R. 2157, regulating the recovery of portal-to-portal pay, etc.; and H. R. 4, to safeguard the admission of evidence in certain cases. Twenty-five private measures have also been reported favorably and two of these have been passed by the House.

COMMITTEE ON MERCHANT MARINE AND FISHERIES

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Membership of subcommittees:

No. 1. SHIP CONSTRUCTION AND OPERATION AND MARITIME LABOR

Willis W. Bradley, *Chairman*; Henry J. Latham, Franklin J. Maloney, Thor C. Tollefson, Raymond H. Burke, John J. Allen, Jr., Robert Nodar, Jr., Edward J. Hart, James Domengeaux, Henry M. Jackson, Eugene J. Keogh, Frank R. Havenner.

No. 2. MARITIME AFFAIRS

Henry J. Latham, *Chairman*; Alvin F. Weichel, David Potts, Willis W. Bradley, John C. Brophy, Robert Nodar, Jr., Edward T. Miller, Henry M. Jackson, Edward J. Hart, Herbert C. Bonner, James Domengeaux, Leo F. Rayfiel.

No. 3. SALT-WATER FISH AND SHELLFISH PROBLEMS

Thor C. Tollefson, *Chairman*; T. Millet Hand, John J. Allen, Jr., Horace Seely-Brown, Jr., Edward T. Miller, Cecil R. King, James Domengeaux, Henry M. Jackson, Emory H. Price, Prince H. Preston.

No. 4. PANAMA CANAL

David Potts, *Chairman*; Raymond H. Burke, Franklin J. Maloney, James Domengeaux, Herbert C. Bonner.

No. 5. COAST GUARD, COAST AND GEODETIC SURVEY, AND PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE

T. Millet Hand, *Chairman*; Alvin F. Weichel, Willis W. Bradley, Horace Seely-Brown, Jr., Herbert C. Bonner, Leo F. Rayfiel, Prince H. Preston, Emory H. Price.

No. 6. SHIP SALES, CHARTERS, AND LAY-UPS

Alvin F. Weichel, *Chairman*; Henry J. Latham, David Potts, Franklin J. Maloney, Robert Nodar, Jr., Eugene J. Keogh, Edward J. Hart, James Domengeaux, Henry M. Jackson.

No. 7. INLAND WATERWAYS AND FRESH-WATER FISHERIES

Alvin F. Weichel, *Chairman*; John C. Brophy, T. Millet Hand, Emory H. Price, Leo F. Rayfiel.

No. 8. CONSERVATION OF WILDLIFE RESOURCES

Raymond H. Burke, *Chairman*; Edward T. Miller, Thor C. Tollefson, Horace Seely-Brown, Jr., John C. Brophy, John J. Allen, Jr., Frank R. Havenner, Edward J. Hart, Herbert C. Bonner, Eugene J. Keogh, Cecil R. King.

Jurisdiction (Standing Committee): All "proposed legislation, messages, petitions, memorials, and other

matters" relating to the following subjects "shall be referred" to this committee:

Merchant marine generally.
Registering and licensing of vessels and small boats.
Navigation and the laws relating thereto, including pilotage.
Rules and international arrangements to prevent collisions at sea.
Merchant marine officers and seamen.
Measures relating to the regulation of common carriers by water (except matters subject to the jurisdiction of the Interstate Commerce Commission) and to the inspection of merchant marine vessels, lights and signals, lifesaving equipment, and fire protection on such vessels.
The Coast Guard, including lifesaving service, lighthouses, lightships, and ocean derelicts.
United States Coast Guard and Merchant Marine Academies.
Coast and Geodetic Survey.
The Panama Canal and the maintenance and operation of the Panama Canal, including the administration, sanitation, and government of the Canal Zone; and interoceanic canals generally.
Fisheries and wildlife, including research, restoration, refuges, and conservation.

Activity: Beginning on February 5, the committee has held hearings on 12 bills.

Of these, four (H. R. 450, conveyance of property to town of Marblehead, Mass.; H. J. Res. 133, United States Coast Guard, navigation and vessel inspection; H. R. 1240, suspension of navigation laws by Secretary of War; H. J. Res. 76, waiver of navigation and vessel inspection) were reported and passed the House. Two others (H. J. Res. 114, Maritime Commission ship operations, March 1 to July 1, 1947; H. J. Res. 122, to provide for ocean transportation service to and from Alaska until July 1, 1948) were enacted into law.

COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC LANDS

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Norris Poulson, Calif.

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John Sanborn, Idaho.

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William A. Dawson, Utah.

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John A. Carroll, Colo.

E. L. Bartlett, Alaska

A. Fernós-Isern, Puerto Rico

Joseph R. Farrington, Hawaii

Ernest A. Grant, *Clerk*

Membership of subcommittees:

No. 1. PUBLIC LANDS

Jurisdiction: Public lands generally, including entry, easements, and grazing thereon.

Forfeiture of land grants and alien ownership, including alien ownership of mineral lands.

Forest reserves and national parks created from the public domain.

Military parks and battlefields, and national cemeteries.

Preservation of prehistoric ruins and objects of interest on the public domain.

Frank A. Barrett, *Chairman*; Fred L. Crawford, Karl M. LeCompte, William Lemke, Robert F. Rockwell, Dean P. Taylor, Jay LeFevre, A. L. Miller, Wesley A. D'Ewart, Norris Poulson, Charles H. Russell, John Sanborn, Edward H. Jenison, William A. Dawson, J. Hardin Peterson, John R. Murdock, Antonio M. Fernandez, Clair Engle, E. H. Hedrick, Preston E. Peden, Monroe M. Redden, John A. Carroll, Joseph R. Farrington, E. L. Bartlett, A. Fernós-Isern.

No. 2. IRRIGATION AND RECLAMATION

Jurisdiction: Irrigation and reclamation, including water supply for reclamation projects, and easements of public lands for irrigation projects, and acquisition of private lands when necessary to complete irrigation projects.

Interstate compacts relating to apportionment of waters for irrigation purposes.

Robert F. Rockwell, *Chairman*; Fred L. Crawford, William Lemke, A. L. Miller, Frank A. Barrett, Wesley A. D'Ewart, Norris Poulson, John Sanborn, William A. Dawson, John R. Murdock, Antonio M. Fernandez, Preston E. Peden, Monroe M. Redden, John A. Carroll, Joseph R. Farrington, A. Fernós-Isern.

No. 3. TERRITORIAL AND INSULAR POSSESSIONS

Jurisdiction: Measures relating generally to Hawaii, Alaska, and the insular possessions of the United States, except those affecting the revenue and appropriations.

Fred L. Crawford, *Chairman*; Karl M. LeCompte, William Lemke, Dean P. Taylor, Jay LeFevre, A. L. Miller, Norris Poulson, Charles H. Russell, John Sanborn, Edward H. Jenison, William A. Dawson, C. Jasper Bell, Antonio M. Fernandez, Clair Engle, E. H. Hedrick, Preston E. Peden, Monroe M. Redden, Joseph R. Farrington, E. L. Bartlett, A. Fernós-Isern.

No. 4. MINES AND MINING

Jurisdiction: Mining interests generally.

Mineral resources of the public lands.

Mineral land laws and claims and entries thereunder.

Geological survey.

Mining schools and experimental stations.

Petroleum conservation on the public lands and conservation of the radium supply in the United States.

William Lemke, *Chairman*; Robert F. Rockwell, Frank A. Barrett, Dean P. Taylor, Jay LeFevre, Wesley A. D'Ewart, Norris Poulson, Charles H. Russell, John Sanborn, Edward H. Jenison, William A. Dawson, Andrew L. Somers, J. Hardin Peterson, John R. Murdock, Antonio M. Fernandez, Clair Engle, Preston E. Peden, John A. Carroll, E. L. Bartlett.

No. 5. INDIAN AFFAIRS

Jurisdiction: Relations of the United States with the Indians and the Indian tribes.

Measures relating to the care, education, and management of Indians, including the care and allotment of Indian lands and general and special measures relating to claims which are paid out of Indian funds.

Wesley A. D'Ewart, *Chairman*; Robert F. Rockwell, Frank A. Barrett, Charles H. Russell, Edward H. Jenison, Antonio M. Fernandez, Andrew L. Somers, John R. Murdock, Preston E. Peden, E. L. Bartlett.

Activity: This committee is considering many bills on various subjects relating to public lands, forest reserves, military parks, mining and geology, petroleum conservation, Indian affairs, and Hawaiian and Alaskan relations with the United States. Many of these are incorporated into one title and, after appropriate subcommittee referral, hearings will be held on them. The committee meets on the first Tuesday of each month. Hearings have been held practically every day and the present hearing schedule is heavily booked by all the subcommittees for the next 2 months.

COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS

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Wat Arnold, Mo.
Gordon L. McDonough, Calif.
Roy Clippinger, Ill.
Edward G. Rohrbough, W. Va.
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W. Kingsland Macy, N. Y.
Frederick A. Muhlenberg, Pa.
Howard A. Coffin, Mich.

Robert F. McConnell, *Clerk*

Membership of subcommittees:

SUBCOMMITTEE ON RIVERS AND HARBORS

Homer D. Angell, *Chairman*; George H. Bender, Fred Norman, W. Kingsland Macy, Frederick A. Muhlenberg, Howard A. Coffin, J. J. Mansfield, Frank W. Boykin, Henry D. Larcade, Jr., George H. Fallon.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON FLOOD CONTROL

Earl Wilson, *Chairman*; Wat Arnold, Gordon L. McDonough, Roy Clippinger, Edward G. Rohrbough, Frederick A. Muhlenberg, Will M. Whittington, Alfred J. Elliott, Clifford Davis, James W. Trimble.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON PUBLIC BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS

J. Harry McGregor, *Chairman*; Homer D. Angell, Paul Cunningham, Earl Wilson, James C. Auchincloss, Wat Arnold, Charles A. Buckley, Clifford Davis, James W. Trimble, John A. Blatnik.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON ROADS

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SUBCOMMITTEE ON BEACH EROSION

George H. Bender, *Chairman*; James C. Auchincloss, J. Glenn Beall, Gordon L. McDonough, Roy Clippinger, W. Kingsland

Macy, Henry D. Larcade, Jr., Frank W. Boykin, Charles A. Buckley, George H. Fallon.

Jurisdiction (Standing Committee): All "proposed legislation, messages, petitions, memorials, and other matters" relating to the following subjects "shall be referred" to this committee:

Flood control and improvement of rivers and harbors.
Public works for the benefit of navigation, including bridges and dams (other than international bridges and dams).
Water power.
Oil and other pollution of navigable waters.
Public buildings and occupied or improved grounds of the United States generally.
Measures relating to the purchase of sites and construction of post offices, customhouses, Federal courthouses, and Government buildings within the District of Columbia.
Measures relating to the Capitol Building and the Senate and House Office Buildings.
Measures relating to the construction or reconstruction, maintenance, and care of the buildings and grounds of the Botanic Gardens, the Library of Congress, and the Smithsonian Institution.
Public reservations and parks within the District of Columbia, including Rock Creek Park and the Zoological Park.
Measures relating to the construction or maintenance of roads and post roads, other than appropriations therefor; but it shall not be in order for any bill providing general legislation in relation to roads to contain any provision for any specific road, nor for any bill in relation to a specific road to embrace a provision in relation to any other specific road.

Activity: Two full-committee meetings have been held, one on January 28 and the other on March 13. At the first meeting subcommittees and staff members were announced. Also sundry resolutions concerning flood control and rivers and harbors were adopted.

At the second, a favorable report on H. R. 2086 was submitted which authorizes furnishing steam from the central heating plant to property of the Daughters of the American Revolution. A hearing was held on March 4 on this bill.

It has been agreed that this committee shall meet on the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month while the House is in session.

The bill H. R. 590, authorizing construction of the Osceola Dam in Missouri, is now in the Subcommittee on Flood Control for consideration.

COMMITTEE ON RULES

Leo E. Allen, Ill., *Chairman*.
Clarence J. Brown, Ohio.
James W. Wadsworth, N. Y.
Forest A. Harness, Ind.
J. Edgar Chenoweth, Colo.
Ross Rizley, Okla.
Christian A. Herter, Mass.
Robert F. Rich, Pa.

Lyle O. Snader, *Clerk*

Jurisdiction (Standing Committee): All "proposed legislation, messages, petitions, memorials, and other mat-

ters" relating to the following subjects "shall be referred" to this committee:

The rules, joint rules, and order of business of the House.
Recesses and final adjournments of Congress.

Activity: When the House Committee on Rules met on January 22, 1947, more than 50 resolutions, joint resolutions, and concurrent resolutions, and one bill had been referred directly to the committee. Most of these resolutions, upon which the committee has original jurisdiction, either requested additional powers for legislative committees of the House, or sought to establish special or select committees. To date the Committee on Rules has reported favorably the following resolutions in this category.

Granting subpoena power to committees: H. Res. 36 (Rept. No. 14), to continue the investigation by the Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries; H. Res. 90 (Rept. No. 15), to extend certain powers of the Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments; H. Res. 111 (Rept. No. 69), authorizing the Committee on Education and Labor to conduct studies and investigations relating to matters within its jurisdiction; H. Res. 118 (Rept. No. 73), authorizing the Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments to conduct investigations into action, regulations, etc., promulgated by agencies of the Federal Government; and H. Res. 120 (Rept. No. 85), directing the Committee on Veterans' Affairs to inspect the Veterans' Administration.

The additional powers requested in most of these resolutions consisted of the authority to subpoena witnesses, and to administer oaths.

Creating select committees: The committee has heard witnesses on three resolutions setting up special or select committees. Two of these resolutions (H. Res. 58 and H. Res. 18) have been reported favorably by the committee. The third resolution (H. Res. 21) is still under consideration.

Joint resolutions: The committee has reported resolutions providing for the consideration of four House joint resolutions.

Concurrent resolutions: House Concurrent Resolution 20, establishing the ceiling for expenditures for the fiscal year 1948 and for appropriations for the fiscal year 1948 to be expended in said fiscal year. Reported by the Committee on Rules on February 18. H. Con. Res. 20 passed the House on February 20.

Bills: Resolutions making in order consideration of nine bills have been reported by the Committee on Rules, as follows:

H. Res. 70 provides for the consideration of H. R. 1030, to continue in effect certain war-excite tax rates.
H. Res. 105 provides for the consideration of H. R. 4, to safeguard the admission of evidence in certain cases.
H. Res. 108 provides for the consideration of H. R. 1819, to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to cooperate with other

American Republics in the control and eradication of hoof-and-mouth disease and rinderpest.

H. Res. 117 provides for the consideration of H. R. 2157, to define and limit the jurisdiction of the courts, to regulate actions arising under certain laws of the United States, and for other purposes (limitation on portal-to-portal pay suits).

H. Res. 124 provides for the consideration of H. R. 2102, to provide for a 6 months' extension and final liquidation of the farm-labor supply program.

H. Res. 131 provides for the consideration of H. R. 1240, to provide for the suspension of navigation and vessel-inspection laws, as applied to vessels operated by the War Department, upon the termination of title V, Second War Powers Act, 1942, as amended.

H. Res. 140 provides for the consideration of H. R. 2404, to suspend certain import taxes on copper.

H. Res. 139 provides for the consideration of H. R. 1943, to establish a permanent Nurse Corps of the Army and Navy and to establish a Women's Medical Specialists Corps in the Army.

H. Res. 138 provides for the consideration of H. R. 1327, to amend existing law to provide privilege of renewing expiring 5-year, level-premium term policies for another 5-year period.

COMMITTEE ON UN-AMERICAN ACTIVITIES

J. Parnell Thomas, N. J.,
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John McDowell, Pa.
Richard M. Nixon, Calif.
Richard B. Vail, Ill.

John S. Wood, Ga.

John E. Rankin, Miss.

J. Hardin Peterson, Fla.

Herbert C. Bonner, N. C.

Robert E. Stripling, *Chief Investigator*

Jurisdiction (Standing Committee): All "proposed legislation, messages, petitions, memorials, and other matters" relating to the following subjects "shall be referred" to this committee:

Un-American activities.

The Committee on Un-American Activities, as a whole or by subcommittee, is authorized to make from time to time, investigations of (i) the extent, character, and objects of un-American propaganda activities in the United States, (ii) the diffusion within the United States of subversive and un-American propaganda that is instigated from foreign countries or of a domestic origin and attacks the principle of the form of government as guaranteed by our Constitution, and (iii) all other questions in relation thereto that would aid Congress in any necessary remedial legislation.

The Committee on Un-American Activities shall report to the House (or to the Clerk of the House if the House is not in session) the results of any such investigation, together with such recommendations as it deems advisable.

For the purpose of any such investigation, the Committee on Un-American Activities, or any subcommittee thereof, is authorized to sit and act at such times and places within the United States, whether or not the House is sitting, has recessed, or has adjourned, to hold such hearings, to require the attendance of such witnesses and the production of such books, papers, and documents, and to take such testimony, as it deems necessary. Subpenas may be issued under the signature of the chairman of the committee or any subcommittee, or by any member designated by any such chairman, and may be served by any person designated by any such chairman or member.

Activity: Three bills have been referred to this committee in this session. H. R. 1884, to prohibit certain un-American activities; H. R. 2122, to prohibit membership

in subversive organizations; and H. R. 2275, the Federal Loyalty Act of 1947. None has been reported as yet. Three hearings have been held this year dealing with investigations of un-American propaganda. One of these was the Gerhart Eisler hearing. No subcommittees have as yet been formed.

COMMITTEE ON VETERANS' AFFAIRS

Edith Nourse Rogers, Mass., *Chairman*.
Bernard W. (Pat) Kearney, N. Y.
Alvin E. O'Konski, Wis.
Homer A. Ramey, Ohio.
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E. (Edward) A. Mitchell, Ind.
James T. Patterson, Conn.
Dayton E. Phillips, Tenn.
Robert Tripp Ross, N. Y.
George W. Sarbacher, Jr., Pa.
Claude I. Bakewell, Mo.

Karl Standish, *Clerk*
Casey M. Jones, *Professional Aide for Majority*
Ida Rowan, *Professional Aide for Minority*

Membership of subcommittees:

HOSPITALS

Bernard W. Kearney, *Chairman*; William J. Crow, Herbert A. Meyer, Edward A. Mitchell, James T. Patterson, John E. Rankin, A. Leonard Allen, Walter B. Huber, Olin E. Teague.

INSURANCE

Dayton Phillips, *Chairman*; Robert Tripp Ross, Claude I. Bakewell, Glen D. Johnson, Joe L. Evins.

EDUCATION, TRAINING AND REHABILITATION

Homer A. Ramey, *Chairman*; W. Howes Meade, Robert Tripp Ross, Georgia L. Lusk, W. M. (Don) Wheeler.

COMPENSATION AND PENSIONS

Frank A. Mathews, Jr., *Chairman*; Richard B. Vail, George W. Sarbacher, Jr., Melvin Price, Harold D. Donohue.

SPANISH WAR VETERANS

Alvin E. O'Konski, *Chairman*; Homer A. Ramey, Edward A. Mitchell, A. Leonard Allen, Georgia L. Lusk.

ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE IN THE VETERANS' ADMINISTRATION

Claude I. Bakewell, *Chairman*; George W. Sarbacher, Jr., Frank A. Mathews, Jr., W. M. (Don) Wheeler, Hamilton C. Jones.

Jurisdiction (Standing Committee): All "proposed legislation, messages, petitions, memorials, and other matters" relating to the following subjects "shall be referred" to this committee:

Veterans' measures generally.
Pensions of all the wars of the United States, general and special.

Life insurance issued by the Government on account of service in the armed forces.
Compensation, vocational rehabilitation, and education of veterans.
Veterans' hospitals, medical care, and treatment of veterans.
Soldiers' and sailors' civil relief.
Readjustment of servicemen to civil life.

Activity: The Committee on Veterans' Affairs has held 17 meetings and the complement of its subcommittees has been established.

Primary consideration was given H. R. 1353, pertaining to National Service Life Insurance, which became Public Law No. 5.

H. R. 1327, relating to 5-year level-premium term insurance, was reported unanimously and passed the House on March 13.

Extensive hearings have been held on measures to raise the ceilings on wages and allowances payable for on-the-job veteran trainees. H. R. 246, relative thereto, has been reported favorably.

Continued subjects of hearings are bills to increase subsistence allowances for education and training.

COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS

Harold Knutson, Minn., *Chairman*.
Daniel A. Reed, N. Y.
Roy O. Woodruff, Mich.
Thomas A. Jenkins, Ohio.
Bertrand W. Gearhart, Calif.
Richard M. Simpson, Pa.
Robert W. Kean, N. J.
Charles L. Gifford, Mass.
Carl T. Curtis, Nebr.
Noah M. Mason, Ill.
Thomas E. Martin, Iowa.
Robert A. Grant, Ind.
Hal Holmes, Wash.
Hubert S. Ellis, W. Va.
John W. Byrnes, Wis.

James A. Tawney, *Clerk*

Jurisdiction (Standing Committee): All "proposed legislation, messages, petitions, memorials, and other matters" relating to the following subjects "shall be referred" to this committee:

Revenue measures generally.
The bonded debt of the United States.
The deposit of public moneys.
Customs, collection districts, and ports of entry and delivery.
Reciprocal trade agreements.
Transportation of dutiable goods.
Revenue measures relating to the insular possessions.
National social security.

Activity: The Committee on Ways and Means on January 20 reported H. R. 1030, extending war excise-tax rates (luxury taxes), which is now Public Law No. 17.

On March 10, the committee reported H. R. 2404, which superseded H. R. 1626 and H. R. 2322 (Rept. No. 108), suspending the import taxes on copper until March 31, 1950. This bill was amended on the floor to limit the suspension to 2 years.

H. J. Res. 57, extending for 15 months the period during which alcohol plants are permitted to produce sugars and sirups simultaneously with the production of alco-

hol, was reported by the committee on January 20, and is now Public Law No. 2.

H. J. Res. 121, granting deductions for contributions to the United Nations in the case of income, estate, and gift taxes, was reported by the committee on February 12 and is now Public Law No. 7.

The committee conducted hearings on March 13 and 14 on H. R. 1, which reduces income taxes 20 percent.

Tuesday, March 18, 1947

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate debated portal-to-portal pay and confirmed FCC nomination; House passed bill on loans to small business.

Foreign Relations group ordered reported four bills and nomination of Assistant Secretary of State.

Housing, Post Office Department deficit, and Health Department measures studied by Senate groups.

Newsprint hearings temporarily concluded.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 2166-2175.

BILLS INTRODUCED

Eleven bills and resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 924-932, incl., S. J. Res. 90, and S. Res. 94.

Pages 2173-2174

BILLS REPORTED

One bill was reported, as follows: S. J. Res. 27, to amend the Mexican Claims Act of 1942 (S. Rept. No. 57). An additional report was filed by the Joint Committee on the Reduction of Nonessential Federal Expenditures on the subject of Federal civilian personnel.

Pages 2171-2173

BILLS REFERRED

Twelve House bills which passed the House on March 17 were transmitted to Senate and referred to the proper Senate Committees (H. R. 193, 197, 490, 729, 804, 236, 1975, 1998, 1359, 1365, 2123, H. J. Res. 118). (For details on bills, see Digest, March 17, p. D5, for bills passed by House.)

Pages 2175-2176

Executive Communications, page 2167.

PORTAL-TO-PORTAL SUITS

The Senate continued debate on H. R. 2157, to relieve employers from liability for portal-to-portal pay suits. Senator Holland presented an amendment intended to

be presented by him to the amendment submitted by Senators McCarran and McGrath to H. R. 2157.

Pages 2176-2186, 2192-2198, 2201

FOREIGN AFFAIRS

Several Senators discussed foreign affairs and the recent proposal to grant loans to Greece and Turkey.

Pages 2187-2192

CONTINUANCE OF WARTIME CONTROLS

The continuance of Title III of the Second War Powers Act and the Export Control Law was discussed.

Pages 2198-2200

FCC MEMBER

Edward M. Webster was confirmed as a member of the Federal Communications Commission.

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Reports on Committee Meetings

NATIONAL DEFENSE ESTABLISHMENT

Committee on Armed Services: Secretary of the Navy Forrestal testified before the Committee on S. 758, to create a National Defense Establishment, to be administered by a Secretary of National Defense. He told the committee that the War and Navy Departments are in agreement that the bill is a sound and workable accommodation between three points of view: 1. the Army, that there should be a single department in which the

three services—Army, Navy and ground force—should be divisions or branches; 2. the Air Forces, that they are entitled to be placed on a parity with the other two services; and 3. the Navy, that actual physical consolidation would decrease efficiency and destroy the morale of the Naval Service.

The Committee will meet again on Thursday, March 20, on the same subject, to hear Secretary of War Patterson.

HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: Senators Taft, Ellender, and Pepper today testified before the Banking and Currency Committee on S. 866, long range housing bill and other related measures. Also appearing were Charles F. Brannan, Assistant Secretary of Agriculture, Dillon S. Meyer, Commissioner of the Federal Public Housing Administration, and John H. Fahey, Commissioner of the Federal Home Loan Bank Administration, and Raymond M. Foley, Administrator of the National Housing Agency.

Committee will meet again on March 21, to consider rent-control legislation.

POST OFFICE DEPARTMENT DEFICIT

Committee on the Civil Service: Four witnesses (Guy Beals, Beals Lithographing Company; J. W. McQuiston, Tichner Brothers, Boston; Arthur Tichner, Tichner Brothers, Boston; and Frank Schmidt, Kropp Company, Milwaukee) testified in opposition to revising postal rates upward in connection with the committee's study of S. Res. 43, to investigate how to reduce the Post Office Department deficit by revision of postal rates. Edward N. Mayer, Jr., Direct Mail Advertising Association, New York, appeared and, while he did not oppose revision, he did not suggest any solution to the problem.

Subcommittee will meet on Wednesday to investigate cafeterias on Government Reservations (S. Res. 42).

TAX PROPOSALS

Joint Meeting of Fiscal Subcommittee of the House and Senate District Committees: The Fiscal Subcommittees of the House and Senate Committee on the District of Columbia held an all-day meeting with the D. C. Commissioners and other officials of the District of Columbia on various tax proposals for the District. These groups will meet again Wednesday.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Three witnesses appeared to discuss S. 140 and S. 712, to create a Department of Health, Education and Welfare. The first one, Dr. George F. Zook, President of the American Council of Education, recommended the enactment of S. 140, with the provision that the name of the department be changed to that of the Department of Education, Health, and Security, with the further understanding that the creation of such department would

not extend the control of the Federal Government over State and local school systems.

The second witness, Dr. Ernest L. Stebbins, Director of School of Hygiene and Public Health at Johns Hopkins University, recommended that an executive Department of Health, Education, and Security, headed by a Secretary of Cabinet rank, should be established by legislation converting the existing Federal Security Agency into such a department. Assignment of additional duties and functions to such a department should be left to subsequent legislation or executive action under the governmental reorganization act.

The last witness, Dr. Joseph H. Louchheim, Committee for the Nation's Health, New York City, told the group that if S. 140 were enacted, it would prevent the Secretary from working out the most effective organization of the newly created department by freezing the organization into three compartments, namely: Division of Health, Education, and Security. He objected strenuously to various specifications in the bill. He concluded that the creation of a cabinet department could best be achieved by transferring the functions and powers of the Federal Security Agency to a new department as proposed in S. 712.

The Committee will meet again on this legislation on Thursday, March 20.

MEXICAN CLAIMS AND CIVIL AVIATION

Committee on Foreign Relations: The Committee ordered reported to the Senate the following four bills: S. 874, authorizing appointment of Lieutenant Commander Paul A. Smith to be Alternate Representative of the United States to the Interim Council of the Provisional International Civil Aviation Organization, or its successor, and as a representative to the Air Navigation Committee of the same organization, without affecting his status as an officer of the Coast and Geodetic Survey; S. 875, authorizing the appointment of Major General Laurence S. Kuter to be representative of the United States to the Interim Council of the Provisional International Civil Aviation Organization, or its successor, without affecting his military status; S. J. Res. 27, to amend the Mexican Claims Act of 1942, to provide for consideration of any claim decided by the General Claims Commission in which the United States filed a petition for rehearing; and S. J. Res. 86, to authorize Herschel V. Johnson, Deputy Representative of the United States to the Security Council of the United Nations, to be reappointed to the Foreign Service.

ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF STATE

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee also ordered favorably reported the nomination of Garrison Norton to be Assistant Secretary of State.

The Committee has no further program scheduled but will hold its next regular meeting on Tuesday, March 25.

MERCHANT SEAMEN

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: A group of merchant seamen met with the Interstate and Foreign Commerce Committee to discuss informally the transfer of ships to foreign flag, citizenship for war-service alien seamen, and Bill of Rights legislation for war-service Merchant Seamen.

The Committee will meet again in executive session on March 20, to discuss maritime problems with members of the Maritime Commission.

INDIAN AFFAIRS

Committee on Public Lands: Open hearings were held on S. 666, providing for the payment of \$300 to each enrolled member of the Shoshone Arapahoe Tribes in Wyoming, with several Indians, Mr. George Tunison, an attorney, and William Zimmerman, Jr., Assistant Commissioner of the Indian Bureau, testifying.

Subcommittee on Mines and Mining will meet on March 20, to consider nomination of Director of Bureau of Mines and Calendar, and the subcommittee on Indian Affairs will meet on March 21 to consider the repeal of the Wheeler-Howard Act (S. 797).

PUBLIC ROADS

Committee on Public Works: Thomas McDonald, Commissioner of the Public Roads Administration, testified with respect to certain emergency legislation and discussed the continuation or termination of wartime and emergency legislation as related to public roads.

The subcommittee on Flood Control and Rivers and Harbors will meet Wednesday.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

BILLS INTRODUCED

Sixteen public bills, H. R. 2612 to H. R. 2627, eight private bills, H. R. 2628 to H. R. 2635, and four resolutions, H. J. Res. 152 and H. Res. 151 to H. Res. 153 were introduced today.

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BILLS REPORTED

H. Res. 148 (Rept. No. 162), consideration of H. R. 2413, amending Federal Reserve Act; H. Res. 149 (Rept. No. 163), consideration of H. J. Res. 146 (sugar); H. R. 1999 (Rept. No. 164), authorizing prison-inmate allowances; and seven private bills (Rept. Nos. 165-171, incl.), were reported.

Pages 2203, 2210

PRIVATE CALENDAR BILLS

Fourteen private bills were considered and passed by the House.

Pages 2206, 2209

PRESS GALLERY

Committee on Rules and Administration: It was voted unanimously by the committee in executive session that Louis R. Lautier qualifies for membership in the Senate Press Gallery and should be admitted. David Lynn, Architect of the Capitol, at an open hearing testified that there are no rules in existence which discriminate against any Senate employees in their use of the Capitol and Senate Office Building Restaurants provided for them.

Others appearing before the committee were: George M. Johnson, Dean of Howard University Law School, Griffing Bancroft, Senate Press Gallery Standing Committee of Correspondents, William Theis, Senate Press Gallery Standing Committee of Correspondents, and Derwin W. Darling, Manager of Senate Restaurant.

NEWSPRINT

Subcommittee on Newsprint and Paper Shortage of the Small Business Committee: Mr. Carl Berreitter, Trentonian Publishing Corporation, Trenton, New Jersey, told the Committee of the difficulties faced by his company in securing sufficient newsprint, and gave evidence of exorbitant prices charged by certain newsprint jobbers in New York City.

The Committee announced that these hearings would be recessed until April 1, during which time the subcommittee will prepare an interim report on the newsprint situation and make further recommendations for the Committee's investigation of other problems affecting the operation of smaller independent publications.

SMALL-BUSINESS LOANS

The House passed H. Res. 145, providing consideration of H. R. 2535, an act to amend the Reconstruction Finance Corporation Act. After one hour's debate, H. R. 2535, as amended by the Banking and Currency Committee, was passed by the House.

Pages 2209-2215

COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENT

The House today passed H. Res. 150, electing Representative Davis of Georgia to the Committee on the District of Columbia.

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COMMUNISM IN ACTION

The House today agreed to Senate amendment to H. Con. Res. 17, authorizing the printing of additional copies of H. Doc. No. 754 (79th Cong.), entitled "Communism in Action."

Pages 2202, 2203

BILL RECOMMITTED

The House today recommitted H. R. 1004, a bill amending the act of Oct. 14, 1940, recording lawful admission to United States for permanent residence of Nicholas G. Karas.

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RESOLUTION REFERRED

The House today referred to the Committee on House Administration, S. Con. Res. 9, authorizing printing for Committee on Finance, additional copies of S. Rept. No. 610 (76th Cong.), entitled "Survey of Experience in Profit Sharing and Possibilities of Incentive Taxation."

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WOOL

Committee on Agriculture: Met in executive session on the wool bills (H. R. 63, H. R. 1890, and H. R. 2318).

SURVIVORS OF AVIATION CADETS

Committee on the Armed Services: The Pay and Administration Subcommittee met on H. R. 2314, authorizing lump-sum payments to survivors of Naval aviation cadets and agreed to report the bill favorably to the full committee. Further consideration was given to H. R. 218 and H. R. 1380 relating to the 6 months' gratuity pay but no action was taken. Captain Darden of the Judge Advocate General's Office of the Navy and Colonel Knighton of the Marine Corps testified in support of H. R. 2314, and Army and Navy representatives appeared before the committee in connection with H. R. 218 and H. R. 1380.

Subcommittee No. 6 conducted an inquiry into the Army and Navy central supply purchase system and heard Representative Fletcher, California; Chester C. Kelsey, National Association of Wholesalers; W. Frank Portlock, Old Dominion Tobacco Co.; Jas. W. Roberts, Vice President; Henry B. Gilpin Co.; Representative Hardy, Virginia; G. D. Edwards, M. C. Donilson, Commander John Bottoms, Stanley B. Levi, Iwan Ries & Co., Chicago.

HOUSING AND RENT CONTROL

Committee on Banking and Currency: Conducted open hearings on H. R. 2549 (housing and rent control) and heard Frank R. Creedon, housing expediter, testify on rent control.

D. C. TAX BILLS

Committee on the District of Columbia: The subcommittees on fiscal affairs of the House and Senate District Committees held joint hearings on D. C. tax bills in the Senate committee room. Officials of the District Government appeared in favor of the bills, as follows: Commissioner John Russell Young, Walter Fowler, budget officer, Capt. H. C. Whitehurst, director of highways, David V. Auld, superintendent of the Water Department, and Arthur R. Pilkerton, auditor.

The joint meetings will be continued in the District Committee Room at 9 a. m., Wednesday, March 19.

DISPOSITION OF CAMP STEWART

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Surplus Property Subcommittee met on H. R. 1627 (re: disposition of Camp Stewart).

WAR RELIEF

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Met in executive session on H. J. Res. 134 to provide relief to war-devastated countries.

COMMUNISM IN ACTION

Committee on House Administration: The committee recommended the House concur in Senate amendment to H. Con. Res. 17 authorizing reprinting of "Communism in Action."

AMEND AERONAUTICS ACT

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Met in open hearings on H. R. 2109 (to amend Civil Aeronautics Act) and heard four witnesses. The committee also heard testimony from four witnesses on H. R. 2324 and 2295 (to amend the Interstate Commerce Act).

AMVETS

Committee on the Judiciary: The committee met and decided to report favorably, with amendments, the bill H. R. 1888 (incorporating the AMVETS, American Veterans of World War II) to the House. The Committee also ordered six private bills reported favorably to the House and tabled five private bills upon recommendation of the Claims Subcommittee.

SHIP TRANSFER

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Subcommittee No. 1, Ship Construction and Operation and Maritime Labor considered H. R. 672, authorizing transfer of the *Joseph Conrad* to St. Petersburg, Fla., for museum purposes. Representative J. Hardin Peterson, of Florida, author of the bill, appeared before the subcommittee in support of the bill.

CIVIL SERVICE STRUCTURE

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Hearings were held on the structure of Civil Service. The committee heard Luther Steward, National Federation of Federal Employees; Frederick M. Davenport, chairman, Council of Personnel Administration; E. G. Montgomery, director of personnel, Maritime Commission; and Gilbert Hatfield, personnel director, Federal Communications Commission.

PUBLIC LANDS

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation of Public Lands met in open hearings on H. R. 1886, H. R. 1977 (to amend section 9 of the Reclamation Project Act of 1939) and heard Representatives Rockwell and Lemke also Michael Straus, Commissioner, Bureau of Reclamation.

PUBLIC BUILDINGS

Committee on Public Works: Meeting of subcommittee chairmen and ranking minority member to consider program of public buildings, Chairman Dondero presiding. An outline of plans for public building construction for the ensuing fiscal year was outlined by W. E. Reynolds, Commissioner of Public Buildings.

RULES

Committee on Rules: Discussed H. R. 2413, amending Federal Reserve Act, and H. J. Res. 146 extending authorities respecting distribution and pricing of sugar. Representatives Wolcott and Spence were heard on both bills. H. Res. 148 providing 2 hours' debate on H. R. 2413 was reported and H. Res. 149 providing for immediate consideration with 3 hours' debate on H. J. Res. 146 was also reported by the committee.

HOSPITALS

Committee on Veterans Affairs: The Subcommittee on Hospitals considered the following bills:

H. R. 2516, urging erection of additional facilities at Fort Miley, Calif., Representative Havenner, California, being heard.

H. R. 784, providing compensation for attendants of mentally incompetent veterans in transit to Veterans' hospitals or homes, Representative Rains, Alabama, being heard.

H. J. Res. 149, naming veterans' hospital in St. Louis in honor of John J. Cochran, Representative Karsten, Missouri, being heard.

H. R. 1879 and H. R. 1880, establishing veterans' hospital in Alaska, W. M. Floyd, Regular Veterans Association being heard.

H. R. 321, H. R. 487, and H. R. 1456 all urging prohibition of pauper's oath requirement by certain veterans for hospital care.

TAX REDUCTION

Committee on Ways and Means: Continued discussion in executive session on H. R. 1, tax reduction.

Wednesday, March 19, 1947

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate continued debate on portal-to-portal pay, disposing of two amendments, passed Mexican Claims measure, and received message on Export Control extension; House in adjournment.

Commodity Credit Corporation extension for one year reported to Senate.

Hearings continued on D. C. taxes.

Statehood for Hawaii voted by House group.

Hearings announced on Greek loan.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 2221-2231, 2277.

BILLS INTRODUCED

Seventeen bills and resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 933-947, inclusive, S. J. Res. 91, and S. Res. 96.

Pages 2222-2224, 2226

BILLS REPORTED

Bills were reported as follows: S. 350, to extend the Commodity Credit Corporation to June 30, 1948 (S. Rept. 58); S. 669, to pay a bonus of 30 cents a bushel on wheat and corn (S. Rept. No. 59); S. 874, authorizing appointment of Lieutenant Commander Paul A. Smith to be Alternate Representative of the United States to the Interim Council of the Provisional International Civil Aviation Organization, or its successor,

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and as a representative to the Air Navigation Committee of the same organization, without affecting his status as an officer of the Coast and Geodetic Survey (S. Rept. No. 60); S. 875, authorizing the appointment of Major General Laurence S. Kuter to be representative of the United States to the Interim Council of the Provisional International Civil Aviation Organization, or its successor, without affecting his military status (S. Rept. No. 61); and S. J. Res. 86, to authorize Herchel V. Johnson, Deputy Representative of the United States to the Security Council of the United Nations, to be reappointed to the Foreign Service (S. Rept. No. 62).

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BILLS REFERRED

Fifteen bills which passed the House on March 18, were transmitted to the Senate and referred to the proper Senate committees (H. R. 173, 1288, 326, 348, 360, 384, 428,

444, 555, 620, 811, 1494, 2094, 2535). (For details on these bills, see Digest, March 18, p. D31).

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EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS

The following executive communications were received by the Senate: Letter from the Acting Secretary of State transmitting a draft of legislation for the relief of Foreign Service officers; letter from the Secretary of the Interior proposing legislation to create an Evacuation Claims Commission; letter from the Acting Secretary of the Navy reporting request from Oakland, California, for transfer of three motor launches; letter from Archivist requesting disposition of certain papers.

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MEXICAN CLAIMS ACT

The Senate passed S. J. Res. 27, to amend the Mexican Claims Act of 1942, to provide for the consideration of any claim decided by the General Claims Commission in which the United States filed a petition for rehearing.

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EXPORT CONTROL EXTENSION

Extension of the Export Control Law for one year from June 30, 1947, was recommended today to the Senate in a message from the President. The message was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary and a copy sent to the Committee on Agriculture and Forestry.

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PORTAL-TO-PORTAL PAY SUITS

The Senate continued debate on H. R. 2157, to relieve employers from portal-to-portal pay suits, and adopted by voice vote, the Wherry amendment to relieve employers from criminal penalties when they relied in good

faith on a written administrative ruling. By a vote of 23 yeas to 40 nays, the Holland amendment was rejected. This amendment would have substituted certain State statutes of limitations for the Federal two-year statute of limitations proposed by the pending measure.

Pages 2230-2277

Reports on Committee Meetings

CCC EXTENDED ONE YEAR

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: An extension of the Commodity Credit Corporation until June 30, 1948, was approved by the committee today when it favorably reported S. 350 (S. Rept. 58). Before reporting the bill, an amendment was adopted to make the extension only one year instead of June 30, 1949.

GOVERNMENT CAFETERIAS

Committee on Civil Service: Subcommittee on S. Res. 42, investigating cafeterias on Government Reservations, heard witnesses from Government Services, Inc., and representatives of the National Capital Parks.

RIVER AND HARBOR PROJECTS

Committee on Public Works: Subcommittee on River and Harbor Improvements and Flood Control discussed the general status of river and harbor and flood control projects which have been authorized. No witnesses were heard by the subcommittee.

WAR DEPARTMENT RECORDS

Committee to Investigate the National Defense Program: Secretary of War Patterson and Under Secretary Royall appeared before the committee in executive session to discuss the availability of War Department records.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Thursday, March 20, at 12 o'clock noon.

Reports on Committee Meetings

PRIVATE BILL

Committee on Armed Services: The bill, H. R. 771, for the relief of Edwin R. Samsey, was adversely reported. Mr. Edwin R. Samsey and Representative Weichel appeared in support of the bill.

NAVAL ACADEMY

Committee on Armed Services: The bill, H. R. 1360, relating to the Board of Visitors to the U. S. Naval

Academy, was carried over. This measure would fix the membership, term of office, salaries and expenses, and duties of the Board.

CIVILIAN OFFICERS

Committee on Armed Services: The bill, H. R. 1368, was favorably reported. This would include civilian officers and employees of the U. S. Naval Government to benefits of pay and allowances from post of duty during periods of absence. Capt. William F. Jennings, U. S. N., appeared in support of the bill.

EASEMENT OF GOVERNMENT LAND

Committee on Armed Services: The bill, H. R. 1807, was also favorably reported. This would authorize the Secretary of the Navy to grant an easement to Pittsburgh

County, Okla., for maintenance of a public highway over portion of naval ammunition depot in McAlester, Okla. Rear Adm. John J. Manning, U. S. N., appeared in support of the bill. The bill, H. R. 2248, was also favorably reported. This would authorize the Secretary of War to convey to Louisiana Power & Light Co., by quitclaim deed, land comprising a part of Camp Livingston, La., for transmission-line purposes.

HOUSING AND RENT CONTROL

Committee on Banking and Currency: Met and heard Ivan D. Carson, Deputy Administrator for Rent, who testified on housing and rent control.

DOGS

Committee on the District of Columbia: The Subcommittee on Health, Education, and Recreation met at 9:30 in room 445 House Office Building for consideration of H. R. 462 which would prohibit experimenting or operating on living dogs.

TEMPERANCE

Committee on the District of Columbia: The Subcommittee on Health, Education and Recreation also considered H. R. 2620, a bill authorizing provision of a clinic for medical and scientific treatment of persons subject to chronic alcoholism.

This subcommittee further met in executive session. Hearing date was fixed for March 31, at 10 a. m. to take up H. R. 498, authorizing the Board of Public Welfare to establish and equip a service to provide for the scientific determination of the needs of children who become public charges.

WAR RELIEF

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Met in executive session on H. J. Res. 134, providing relief assistance to people of war-devastated countries.

AMEND AERONAUTICS ACT

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Met in executive session on H. R. 2109 (amending Civil Aeronautics Act) and ordered the bill reported favorably as amended. The committee concluded the open hearings on H. R. 2324 and H. R. 2295 after hearing Giles Morrow, general counsel, Freight Forwarders Institute, Washington, D. C., and E. F. Lacy, executive secretary, National Industrial Traffic League, Washington, D. C.

IMMIGRATION

Committee on the Judiciary: The Subcommittee on Immigration and Naturalization held all-day public hearings on H. R. 245, H. R. 674, and H. R. 1115. These first two bills would amend the Immigration Act of February 5, 1917, to suspend deportation proceedings of loyal and morally good aliens. The last-mentioned bill would amend the present racial-ineligibility feature of the present act. Appearing in support of the meas-

ures were Representatives Miller of California and Judd, Delegate Farrington, and a representative of the American-Japanese Citizens League.

This subcommittee also heard testimony of authors and interested parties on six private immigration bills.

HOLIDAYS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 1 heard authors and other interested parties on more than 20 bills and resolutions requesting authorization for observance and commemoration with respect to holidays and anniversary designation.

MONOPOLIES

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 2 held all-day hearings on H. R. 515 to amend sections 7 and 11 of the Clayton Act to prohibit a corporation from acquiring physical properties of a competing corporation in restraint of trade. Appearing before this subcommittee were: Representative Kefauver, R. E. Freer, Federal Trade Commissioner, Ewin L. Davis, Federal Trade Commissioner, George Burger of New York City, J. D. Henderson, New Orleans, La., James B. Sharkey of Washington, D. C., Seth Levine, CIO Legislative Committee, John Howard Ford, Washington, D. C., and J. Leonard Townsend, Counsel, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System.

Committee on the Judiciary: Considered eight bills in executive session.

POSTAL RATES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: The committee met in room 213, House Office Building, and considered H. R. 2408, which provides for permanent postal rates and the following witnesses were heard: Don M. Turnbull, International Baby Chick Association, of Kansas City, Mo.; Humphry Desmond, Catholic Press Association of United States, Milwaukee, Wis.; John L. Horn, chairman of the Postal Committee of American Newspaper Publishing Association, and Curt Teich, Jr., representing post-card manufacturers. These hearings will be resumed tomorrow at 10 a. m. in room 213 House Office Building.

STATEHOOD FOR HAWAII

Committee on Public Lands: The Subcommittee on Indian Affairs met on H. R. 1098 (segregation and expenditure of trust funds held in joint ownership by the Shoshone and Arapahoe Tribes) and heard Hon. Frank Barrett. The subcommittee approved with amendment and reported the bill favorably to the full committee. The subcommittee also reported H. R. 2199 favorably to the full committee.

The Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation met on H. R. 1886 and H. R. 1977, both bills amending the Reclamation Project Act of 1939. Mr. Chas. F. Brannan, Assistant Secretary of Agriculture testified.

These hearings will continue tomorrow at 10 a. m. in room 1324.

The Committee on Public Lands met at 2 o'clock and voted unanimously to report favorably to the House H. R. 49 (Statehood for Hawaii). They also unanimously voted to report favorably H. R. 1098 and H. R. 2199 to the House.

NAVIGATION PROJECTS SURVEY

Committee on Public Works: The Subcommittee on Rivers and Harbors will meet Thursday, March 20, 1947, at 10 a. m. in room 1304, to hold hearings on survey items for navigation projects.

FASCISM AND COMMUNISM

Committee on Un-American Activities: Committee meeting was held in room 226, House Office Building, and a subcommittee comprised of Representatives McDowell, Vail, and Wood was formed to investigate Fascist organizations in the United States. The com-

mittee also completed arrangements to hold open hearings during the week of March 24 for legislation to curb or outlaw the Communist Party in the United States.

REPORT ON JOINT COMMITTEE MEETINGS

D. C. TAX PROPOSALS

Joint Meeting of Fiscal Subcommittees of the House and Senate District of Columbia Committees: The need for an increased budget for the coming fiscal year by the District of Columbia Government was urged before the Fiscal Subcommittees of the House and Senate District of Columbia Committees, with the D. C. Assessor Edward A. Dent, Fire Department Chief Clement Murphy, Assistant Superintendent of Police Walter H. Thomas, and Health Officer Dr. George C. Ruhland testifying. Each of these men pointed out the need for increased expenditures in their respective departments. The committee continues open hearings tomorrow.

Thursday, March 20, 1947

HIGHLIGHTS

- Senate continued debate on portal-to-portal pay suits; House passed bills on military procurement and Federal Reserve.
- Treaty with China made public.
- Rubber bill ordered reported to Senate.
- Hearings on Greek-Turkish loan announced by Senate group.
- Relief bill for war-devastated countries reported to House.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 2277-2288.

BILLS INTRODUCED

Eleven bills were introduced, as follows: S. 948-958, inclusive.

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BILL SENT TO PRESIDENT

The following bill was sent to the President: S. 276, to provide for payment and settlement of mileage and other travel allowance accounts of all military personnel.

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PANAMA CANAL

The President submitted the annual report of the Panama Canal which was referred to the Committee on Armed Services in the Senate and to the Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries in the House.

Pages 2285, 2316

TREATY WITH CHINA

A treaty of friendship, commerce, and navigation with the Republic of China (Executive J) was submitted by the President to the Senate. The treaty was signed at Nanking November 4, 1946, and was referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

Pages 2278-2285

PORTAL-TO-PORTAL PAY SUITS

Senate Majority Leader White obtained unanimous consent to begin voting at 3 p. m. tomorrow on pending amendments to H. R. 2157, to relieve employers from portal-to-portal pay suits, and to vote on passage of the bill not later than 5 p. m. (Friday, March 21).

Pages 2287-2311

NOMINATIONS

The Senate received from the President the nomination of James M. Alsup, to be collector of internal revenue for the district of Hawaii. The nomination of Herbert E. Arnold to be collector of internal revenue for the

second district of Texas, submitted January 8, 1947, was withdrawn.

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Reports on Committee Meetings

NATIONAL DEFENSE ESTABLISHMENT

Committee on Armed Services: Secretary of War Patterson gave his unqualified support to S. 758, to create the National Defense Establishment, in testifying before the committee at the 10 o'clock meeting this morning. He told the group that it was his belief that a unified structure of the armed forces would be advantageous to the national defense and that S. 758 furnished a unified structure that is sound, efficient, and workable. The group meets again on March 25 at 10 a. m. to hear General Dwight D. Eisenhower on this same subject, and it is expected that General Spaatz and Admiral Nimitz will be heard Wednesday, March 26.

RUBBER

Committee on Banking and Currency: Committee ordered reported to the Senate with a few technical amendments H. J. Res. 118, to strengthen the common defense by maintaining an adequate domestic rubber-producing industry.

HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: Hearings were continued before the committee on S. 866, the long-range housing bill, by Senators Taft, Ellender, Wagner, and other housing proposals (S. 287, S. 701, S. 803, and S. 804); with the following proponents of this legislation testifying, in the order in which they appeared: Omar B. Ketchum, National Legislative Service for Veterans of Foreign Wars; F. H. LaGuardia, Chairman, National Fair Rent Committee; Franklin D. Roosevelt, Jr., American Veterans' Committee; Boris Shishkins, A. F. of L.; William Nicholas, CIO; Edward Weinfeld, National Public Housing Conference; George W. Welsh, representing U. S. Conference of Mayors; Representative Helen Gahagan Douglas; Dr. Beverly M. Boyd, Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America; Miss Helen Hall, representing various social welfare organizations; Dr. Robert C. Weaver, representing various Negro organizations; and Samuel J. Rodman, General Homes Corporation. Mayor LaGuardia directed his testimony to the reenactment of existing legislation on rent control. Some of the witnesses, while favoring the objectives of S. 866, proposed amendments to the bill.

The subcommittee will continue on Friday, March 21.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Two witnesses testified on S. 140 and S. 712, to create a Department of Health, Education, and Welfare. Mrs. Mildred Netreber, League of Women Shoppers, Inc., Washington, D. C., in her testimony, told the com-

mittee that the objectives of S. 140 were highly desirable and merited wholehearted support. She suggested that the bill be changed to allow greater flexibility in the organization and functions of the Department. She opposed the inclusion of provisions in the bill which made it mandatory for the President to limit his selection of capable administrators to specific professional fields. Mrs. Richard J. Bernhard, National Child Labor Committee, stated that coordination of health, welfare, and education was necessary and that it would affect all of the people as well as the children. Such a department should not be compartmentalized, but the Secretary of the Department should be given authority to organize it as he sees fit.

Hearings will be continued on Monday, March 24.

INTERNATIONAL TRADE

Committee on Finance: Under Secretary of State Will Clayton appeared before the committee on relation of the Reciprocal Trade Agreements Act to the proposed International Trade Organization Charter and made a short explanatory statement of the International Trade Organization, discussing and analyzing each step of the proposed draft. The committee will hear Clair Wilcox, Director of the Office of International Trade Policy, of the State Department, in its session tomorrow.

GREEK-TURKISH LOAN HEARINGS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee will begin open hearings on the Greek-Turkish loan (S. 938) on Monday, March 24, it was decided today in executive session. Secretaries Acheson, Patterson, and Forrestal will be the first witnesses.

MERCHANT MARINE

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: In an executive session, the committee heard Maritime Commissioners on merchant marine problems and the program for the future. The next meeting of the committee will be on March 24, when it will consider the waiver of navigation and vessel inspection laws (H. R. 1240 and H. J. Res. 76).

SCIENCE BILLS

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: The committee in executive session considered S. 525 and 526, science bills.

A comparative print of all the labor bills referred to this committee and how they affect the various provisions of the Wagner Act has been prepared for the use of the committee.

BUREAU OF MINES DIRECTOR

Committee on Public Lands: The nomination of James Boyd, to be Director of the Bureau of Mines, was opposed by John L. Lewis before the Subcommittee on Mines and Mining of the Committee on Public Lands. Oscar L. Chapman, Under Secretary of the Interior, testified in favor of the nomination.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

BILLS INTRODUCED

Forty-eight public bills, H. R. 2636 through H. R. 2683; 16 private bills, H. R. 2684 through H. R. 2699; and 13 resolutions, H. J. Res. 153 through H. J. Res. 157, H. Con. Res. 31 through H. Con. Res. 33, and H. Res. 154 through H. Res. 158 were introduced today.

Pages 2343-2344

BILLS REPORTED

Six bills were reported as follows: H. R. 1098, authorizing segregation and expenditure of joint trust funds of Shoshone and Arapaho Indian Tribes (Rept. No. 172); H. R. 2199, authorizing issuance of certain lands on Crow Indian Reservation (Rept. No. 173); S. 26, to make criminally liable negligent criminal custodians in cases of escape (Rept. No. 174); H. J. Res. 48, amending Settlement of Mexican Claims Act of 1942 providing claims' consideration by General Claims Commission wherein the United States filed petition for rehearing (Rept. No. 175); H. R. 2109, to amend the Civil Aeronautics Act of 1938 regarding rate charges and regulations of through-service by air and common carriers subject to ICC Act (Rept. 176); H. R. 1636, amending Postal Service Salary and Procedure Act to change present leave compensation as relates to rural carriers (Rept. No. 177).

Pages 2342-2343

ARMY AND NAVY PROCUREMENT

The House today passed H. R. 1366, as amended, a bill to facilitate procurement of supplies and services for the War and Navy Departments. It provides uniform purchase authority for the two branches and reestablishes requirement that advertising-competitive-bid method be followed by them in placing the great majority of their buying contracts. This bill (Rept. No. 109) was favorably reported by Armed Services Committee.

Pages 2316-2328

FEDERAL RESERVE PURCHASES

The House today passed, without amendment, H. R. 2413, a bill amending the Federal Reserve Act permitting member banks, until July 1, 1950, to buy or sell Government-guaranteed securities in the open market or from the United States in an amount not to exceed \$5,000,000,000 at any one time. This bill was favorably reported (Rept. No. 116) by the Banking and Currency Committee.

Pages 2328-2333

SUGAR

The House today adopted the rule (H. Res. 149) providing for consideration of H. J. Res. 146 (extending powers under certain statutes with respect to distribution and pricing of sugar).

Pages 2334-2335

PROGRAM FOR FRIDAY

The House adjourned today at 4:26 p. m., until Friday, March 21, at 12 o'clock noon at which time H. J. Res. 146, the sugar bill, will be taken up.

Reports on Committee Meetings

CROP INSURANCE

Committee on Agriculture: The committee met to study crop insurance (no bill) and heard Mr. Gus Geissler, manager, Crop Insurance Corporation, Department of Agriculture, who gave history of the program and outline of possible changes. Hearings continue tomorrow.

ARMY MAIL CLERKS

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee No. 3, Organization and Mobilization, reported favorably to the full committee the bill H. R. 2339 (amending the Army Mail Clerks Act), H. R. 1371 (authorizing the Secretary of the Navy to appoint for supply duty only officers of the Marine Corps), and Gen. A. A. Vandegrift, Commandant of the Marine Corps, appeared in support of H. R. 1371.

HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: Met on H. R. 2549 (housing and rent control) and heard the testimony of Col. John T. Taylor, legislative director, American Legion; R. C. Cadwallader, chairman of the National Housing Committee of the American Legion; Omar B. Ketchum, national legislative service, VFW. Hearings continue tomorrow.

GREEK-TURKISH LOAN

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Met on H. R. 2616 (assistance to Greece and Turkey) and heard Hon. Dean Acheson, Acting Secretary of State, testify in behalf of the bill. Hearings continue tomorrow. In executive session the committee ordered H. J. Res. 153 (relief assistance to people of war-devastated countries) favorably reported. H. J. Res. 153 supersedes H. J. Res. 134.

ENEMY DAMAGES

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Held open hearings on H. R. 873 and H. R. 1823 (holding enemy property to satisfy claims of U. S. citizens for damage resulting from enemy acts) and heard 12 witnesses. Hearings continue tomorrow.

IMMIGRATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Tabled one private immigration bill and ordered eight private immigration bills reported favorably to the House.

POSTAL RATES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Ordered H. R. 1636 (rural carrier leave) reported. Also heard testimony of James H. Murphy, circulation manager, Baltimore Afro-American; James S. Lyon, Pennsylvania Newspaper Publishing Association; James M. Mosely, president, Mosely Selective List Service; and Harrison M. Syre, American Educational Press, on H. R. 2408 (postal rates). These hearings will continue on March 24.

AMENDING RECLAMATION PROJECT ACT

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation met today on H. R. 1886 and H. R. 1977 (amending the Reclamation Project Act of 1939) and will meet again tomorrow on the same subject.

ARMY ENGINEERS' SURVEY

Committee on Public Works: Subcommittee on Rivers and Harbors met to hear reports of the Army Engineers on new surveys. Colonel Feringa, of the Army En-

gineers, reported on surveys that had been requested by the committee. Representative Miller of Maryland testified on behalf of H. R. 2080, 2081, and 2082.

REPORT ON JOINT COMMITTEE MEETINGS

D. C. TAX PROPOSALS

Joint Meeting of Fiscal Subcommittees of the House and Senate District of Columbia Committees: Joint Fiscal Subcommittees of the District of Columbia Committees of the House and Senate continued to study the District budget with Milo Christiansen, Superintendent of Recreation, discussing the scope, needs, and jurisdiction of his department, and holding that additional funds were necessary; Alan W. Payne, Chairman, Alcohol Beverage Control Board, discussing income of the Board during war years and making a statement as to future needs; and Donald Clemmer, Director of the Department of Corrections, citing the need for an increased budget. The subcommittees will continue on Tuesday, March 25.

Friday, March 21, 1947

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate by vote of 64 to 24 passed portal-to-portal pay bill; House passed sugar bill and agreed to Senate amendment to Presidential tenure bill. Both Houses received President's message on World Health Organization. Hearings announced on reciprocal trade agreements. Bills on Public Buildings ordered reported to Senate.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 2345-2348.

BILLS INTRODUCED

Fifteen bills and resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 959-S. 973, inclusive, S. Con. Res. 10.

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BILLS REPORTED

Bills were reported, as follows: H. R. 2535, to amend the Reconstruction Finance Corporation Act to aid small business in purchase of surplus property, without amendment (no written report); and H. J. Res. 118, to strengthen the common defense by maintaining an adequate domestic rubber-producing industry, with amendment (S. Rept. 63).

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WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION

The President urged membership in the World Health Organization in a message submitted to the

Senate. A memorandum from the Secretary of State, on this subject, and a suggested joint resolution were included with the message and referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

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EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS

The following executive communications were received: Letter from the Secretary of State transmitting an interim report on the exportation and importation of arms, ammunitions, and implements of war for the years 1941 to 1945, letter from the Under Secretary of Interior transmitting financial statements and reports on the sale of electric energy generated at Fort Peck, Mont., for the first, second, and third fiscal years of operation; letter from the Librarian of Congress transmitting a report on the future of the Library of Congress; letter from the Chairman of the RFC transmitting a report of that Corporation for the month of October 1946; letter from the Comptroller

General transmitting a report on the audit of the U. S. Housing Corporation for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1945.

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PORTAL-TO-PORTAL PAY SUITS

The Senate, by a vote of 64 yeas to 24 nays, passed with amendment H. R. 2157, to relieve employers from portal-to-portal pay suits. The Chair appointed the following conferees, to insist on the Senate version: Senators Wiley, Donnell, Cooper, Eastland, and McGrath.

By a vote of 35 yeas to 53 nays, the McCarran-McGrath substitute for the bill was defeated.

Senator Holland's amendment to strike from the bill all reference to the Walsh-Healey and Bacon-Davis Acts, was rejected 39 yeas to 50 nays.

The amendment offered by Senator Kilgore to make certain other noncompensable activities compensable when such activities are normally engaged in during the working day, was defeated 39 yeas to 50 nays.

Senator Magnuson offered an amendment to strike out the two year statute of limitations, and this was defeated by 28 yeas to 61 nays.

Senator Myers and eight other Senators sponsored an amendment to raise the minimum wage level under the Fair Labor Standards Act to 60 cents an hour. Senator Taft moved to table this amendment, and the motion was approved 57 yeas to 32 nays.

The committee amendment, which is the bill as reported to the Senate, plus the Wherry amendment adopted on March 19 (see p. D34), was then adopted by voice vote.

Pages 2346-2377

DIPLOMATIC CONFIRMATIONS

The Senate confirmed Garrison Norton as Assistant Secretary of State, and 11 foreign service officers.

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NOMINATION

Received the nomination of Edwin F. Stanton of California as Ambassador to Siam.

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Reports on Committee Meetings

EXPORT CONTROLS

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: The retention of controls on agricultural products in short supply and on tin, hard fibers, and tractors, was urged by the Under Secretary of Agriculture Dodd and officials of the Civilian Production branch, Office of Temporary Controls. The testimony before the committee today was in connection with its study of the possible effect on agriculture of the proposed removal of allocation and export controls authorized by the Second War Powers Act of 1942.

RENT CONTROL

Committee on Banking and Currency: Subcommittee on Housing and Rents adopted changes recommended by the Banking and Currency Committee in its bill submitted two weeks ago, which omitted the provisions for across-the-board-rent increases, and to rent controls through the courts, and adopted instead, the suggestions contained in S. 778 for local advisory committees.

The advisory committees are to be appointed by the Governors of the states in each instance, and consists of not less than five members. There is to be one advisory committee for every rental area, which may make recommendation to the Administrator with respect to: (1) decontrol of the defense rental area, or portion thereof; (2) the adequacy of the general rent level in the area; (3) operations generally of the local rent office with particular reference to hardship cases; and (4) recommendation of advisory committee to be final unless reversed by Administrator within thirty days.

Subcommittee will meet again Monday at 10 a. m. to consider an agency to administer the act.

POST OFFICE DEPARTMENT DEFICIT

Committee on Civil Service: Continued further study of S. Res. 43, to investigate how to reduce the Post Office Department deficit by revision of postal rates. The committee heard the following witnesses: R. Preston Shealey, National Retail Credit Association; J. L. Horne and Elisha Hanson, American Newspaper Publishers Association; and A. H. Black, Post Office Department.

INTERNATIONAL TRADE

Committee on Finance: The relation of the Reciprocal Trade Agreements Act to the proposed International Trade Organization Charter was studied further by the committee with Dr. Clair Wilcox, Director of the Office of International Trade Policy of the State Department, making an explanatory statement on proposed Charter. He will continue his testimony on Monday.

NATIONAL MEDIATION BOARD

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: In executive session the committee unanimously ordered favorably reported the nomination of Francis A. O'Neill to be a member of the National Mediation Board.

INDIANS

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Indian Affairs continued its hearings on S. 797 to repeal the Wheeler-Howard Act and other related subjects, with B. G. Courtright, superintendent of the Klamath Indian Reservation, outlining the administration and activities on his reservation.

Full committee meets again Monday, March 24, in executive session.

PUBLIC BUILDINGS

Committee on Public Works: Three bills involving public buildings were ordered reported to the full committee, as follows: S. 450, to authorize construction of a building for U. S. Court of Appeals for the District of

Columbia in the District at a cost of \$10,300,000, with amendments; S. 516, to authorize furnishing steam heat to D. A. R. properties, without amendment; and S. 723, to study plans and costs for an additional office building for the Senate, without amendment.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

BILLS INTRODUCED

Twenty-seven public bills, H. R. 2700 through H. R. 2726; eight private bills, H. R. 2727 through H. R. 2734; and three resolutions, H. Res. 159 and H. Con. Res. 34 and H. Con. Res. 35, were introduced today.

Pages 2423-2424

BILLS REPORTED

Two bills were reported today as follows: H. R. 2700, making appropriations for Department of Labor, Federal Security Agency, National Labor Relations Board, National Mediation Board, including National Railroad Adjustment Board, and Railroad Retirement Board (Rept. No. 178); and H. J. Res. 154, authorizing appropriations for control of foot-and-mouth disease (Rept. No. 179).

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TENURE OF PRESIDENCY

The House today concurred in the Senate amendment to H. J. Res. 27, proposing a Constitutional amendment to limit the tenure of Presidents to two terms.

Pages 2389-2392

FOOT-AND-MOUTH DISEASE CONTROL

The House today passed H. J. Res. 154, a joint resolution providing for appropriations for control and eradication of foot-and-mouth disease and rinderpest for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1947. This resolution was favorably reported (H. Rept. 179) by the Committee on Appropriations.

Pages 2392-2394

SUGAR

The House today debated and passed, with amendments, H. J. Res. 146, a resolution extending authority with respect to distribution and pricing of sugar. This resolution was favorably reported (H. Rept. 150) by the Committee on Banking and Currency.

Pages 2394-2417

PRINCETON BICENTENNIAL COMMISSION

The Chair today appointed Commissioners of the United States Princeton University Bicentennial Commission.

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Reports on Committee Meetings

CROP INSURANCE

Committee on Agriculture: The committee met to study crop insurance (no bill) and Gus Geissler, Manager, Crop Insurance Corporation, continued yesterday's outline for a program and submitted recommendations for future operation.

MILITARY

Committee on Armed Services: The committee ordered H. R. 1605 (to amend the act appointing additional commissioned officers in the Regular Army) reported to the full committee. H. R. 2234 (providing leave of absence for employees of the United States and the District of Columbia who are members of the Enlisted Reserve Corps) was held over for further consideration.

HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: The committee met and heard Raymond M. Foley, Administrator, National Housing Administration, on H. R. 2549 (housing and rent control). Hearings continue on Monday.

SURPLUS GAS-TANK CARS

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: The committee met on the proposed disposal of liquefied petroleum gas tank cars which were declared surplus by the U. S. Army in May of 1946. Testimony was heard from James B. Harvey, Acting Deputy Director, General Industrial Equipment Division, WAA; Erwin Lerten, attorney in the office of the General Counsel, WAA, assigned to the General Industrial Equipment Division; R. C. Jopling, vice president, Phillips Petroleum Co., Bartlesville, Okla.

GREEK-TURKISH LOAN

Committee on Foreign Affairs: The committee met on H. R. 2616 (to provide for assistance to Greece and Turkey) and heard the testimony of Hon. Dean Acheson, Acting Secretary of State, in support of same.

ENEMY DAMAGES

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: The committee met on H. R. 873 and H. R. 1823

(holding enemy property to satisfy claims of United States citizens for damage resulting from enemy acts) and heard the testimony of 21 witnesses.

MONOPOLIES

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 2 continued hearings on H. R. 515, to amend sections 7 and 11 of the Clayton Act to prohibit a corporation from acquiring physical properties of a competing corporation in restraint of trade. Testimony was heard from Howard W. Ambruster, Westfield, N. J.; Edward Wimmer, public relations director, Community Progress Foundation, Cincinnati, Ohio; Willis Ballinger, vice president, National Federation of Small Businesses, Inc., Washington, D. C.

CIVIL SERVICE STRUCTURE

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: A subcommittee met to investigate Civil Service structure and heard Commissioner Arthur S. Fleming, Civil Service; James B. Burns, American Federation of Government Employees; Donald Murray, United Public Workers of America.

AMENDING RECLAMATION PROJECT ACT

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation met on H. R. 1886, H. R. 1977 and H. R. 2583 (amending the Reclamation Project Act of 1939), and heard F. O. Hagie, National Reclamation Association, who testified on H. R. 1886.

SUBVERSIVE ACTIVITY

Committee on Un-American Activities: The committee met on the Gerhart Eisler-Leon Josephson case and heard the testimony of Fred Beale, Liston Oak, and Alwin Cole, handwriting expert, Treasury Department.

SUBSISTENCE ALLOWANCES

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: The Subcommittee on Education, Training, and Rehabilitation met in open hearing on H. R. 161, H. R. 870, and H. R. 1617 (subsistence allowances). Dr. Kenneth Little, registrar, University of Wisconsin, Madison, Wis., testified on cost of living and number of veterans who dropped courses for economic reasons. Miss Jean Rieder, student at Mexico City College, Mexico City, testified favoring H. R. 870.

TAX REDUCTION

Committee on Ways and Means: The committee met and reported out H. R. 1 with two amendments: (1) To provide a 30 percent reduction in tax liability on all surtax net income for \$1,000 or less and proportionate reduction in tax on surtax net incomes between \$1,000 and \$1,395.83; (2) technical amendment whereby taxpayer who has certain pension, annuity, or retirement pay now excluded from taxable income may elect to take either his present exclusion or the additional exemption provided in cases of persons 65 years old or over.

Monday, March 24, 1947

HIGHLIGHTS

- Senate passed calendar bills and debated Lilienthal nomination; House passed Mexican claims bill.
- Bills on Federal Reserve, waiver of navigation and vessel-inspection, postal employees, and foot-and-mouth disease reported to Senate.
- Tax-reduction bill reported to House.
- Bill on Second War Powers Act extension ordered reported to Senate.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 2424-2430.

BILLS INTRODUCED

Two bills were introduced, as follows: S. 974 and S. 975.
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SUGAR BILL

The Senate ordered placed on the Calendar H. J. Res. 146, relating to the rationing of sugar.
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BILLS REPORTED

Bills were reported, as follows: H. R. 1713, to provide for the promotion of substitute employees in the postal service (S. Rept. No. 64); H. J. Res. 154, to assist in the eradication of the hoof-and-mouth disease (S. Rept. No. 65); H. R. 2413, to amend the Federal Reserve Act relative to purchase of Government securities (S. Rept. No. 70); H. R. 1240, to provide for the suspension of navigation and vessel-inspection laws as applied to ships operated by War Department (S. Rept. No. 71); H. J.

Res. 76, to waive compliance with navigation and vessel-inspection laws administered by Coast Guard (S. Rept. No. 72); and four private claim bills: S. 241, 243, 254, and 425 (S. Repts. Nos. 66-9, respectively).
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EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS

The following executive communications were received: Report from the American Red Cross on foreign war relief operations (Committee on Foreign Relations); letter from the Acting Secretary of State, transmitting a draft of proposed legislation relating to the promotion of the interchange of persons, knowledge, and skills between the United States and other countries and public dissemination abroad of information about the United States (Committee on Foreign Relations); letter from the Civil Service Commission, transmitting a draft of proposed legislation to amend the act relating to the payment of Government employees for accumulated or accrued annual leave (Committee on the Civil Service); letter from the President transmitting a supplemental estimate of appropriation for the Federal Security Agency, fiscal year 1948 (Committee on Appropriations).
Pages 2424-2425

DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME

By a vote of 56 yeas to 17 nays, the Senate passed S. 736, authorizing the D. C. Commissioners to establish daylight saving in the District of Columbia during 1947.
Pages 2440-2448

RUBBER LEGISLATION

Authority to continue the synthetic rubber program until permanent legislation is enacted or until March 31, 1948, and to end the Government purchase of natural rubber on March 31, 1947 (H. J. Res. 118), was approved by the Senate, with amendments, as reported by the Committee on Banking and Currency.
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CALENDAR BILLS PASSED

The Senate passed seven bills on the regular call of the Calendar, as follows: S. 565, to amend section 3539 of the Revised Statutes relating to taking trial pieces of coins, without amendment; S. 547, to provide annual and sick leave for rural letter carriers, with amendments; S. 918, to establish an Office of Selective Service Records, without amendment; S. 214, to change the name of Lugert-Altus irrigation project in the State of Oklahoma to the W. C. Austin project, without amendment; S. J. Res. 86, to authorize Herschel V. Johnson to be reappointed to the Foreign Service, without amendment; S. 874, to appoint Lt. Comdr. Paul A. Smith to the Interim Council of the Provisional International Civil Aviation Organization, without amendment; S. 875, to appoint Maj. Gen. Laurence S. Kuter, as representative

of the United States to the Interim Council of the Provisional International Civil Aviation Organization, without amendment. Senator McCarran entered a motion to reconsider the passage of S. 565, which has the effect of holding this legislation in suspension until the motion is disposed of.
Pages 2430-2439

LILIENTHAL NOMINATION

The Senate began debate on the nomination of David E. Lilienthal to be a member of the Atomic Energy Commission.
Pages 2449-2459

Reports on Committee Meetings

FOOT-AND-MOUTH DISEASE

Committee on Appropriations: The committee reported without amendment, H. J. Res. 154, to control and eradicate foot-and-mouth disease and rinderpest, after hearing Government officials from the Bureau of Animal Industry; Armistead W. Gilliam, American Meat Institute of Chicago; F. E. Mollin, American National Livestock Association; and Judge Joseph Montague, Texas-Southwestern Livestock Association. All of the witnesses were in agreement that immediate action was necessary to conduct a joint program with the Mexican Government to eradicate widespread disease among livestock in Mexico and to adopt preventive measures to eliminate the threat of its spread in the United States.

The committee begins open hearings on March 27, on H. R. 2436, Treasury-Post Office appropriation bill.

ARMY-NAVY NURSES ACT OF 1947

Committee on Armed Services: Maj. Gen. Norman T. Kirk, Surgeon General of the Army, Col. Florence A. Blanchfield, Superintendent of the Army Nurse Corps, and Rear Admiral Clifford A. Swanson, Surgeon General of the Navy, testified before the committee in support of H. R. 1943, to establish a permanent Nurse Corps of the Army and Navy and a Womens' Medical Specialist Corps in the Army. The committee will continue tomorrow on the National Defense Establishment (S. 758).

FEDERAL RESERVE-GOVERNMENT OBLIGATION

Committee on Banking and Currency: In executive session, the committee considered and unanimously voted to report H. R. 2413, to amend the Federal Reserve Act relative to the purchase of Government securities by the 12 Federal Reserve banks, after hearing Marriner S. Eccles, Chairman of the Board of Governors, Federal Reserve System. For report number see Bills Reported under Senate Chamber.

RENT CONTROL

Committee on Banking and Currency: The committee in afternoon session agreed that Frank R. Cree-

committee, without amendment: H. R. 1240, to suspend from March 31, 1947 (termination date of title V of the Second War Powers Act) to December 31, 1947,

RENT CONTROL

Committee on Banking and Currency: The committee in afternoon session agreed that Frank R. Creedon, Expeditor of the National Housing Agency, should administer rent control.

GOVERNMENT CAFETERIAS

Committee on Civil Service: The subcommittee continued its investigation in pursuance of S. Res. 42, to investigate cafeterias on Government reservations, with Mr. H. W. Longfellow, Executive Assistant for Legislation, Veterans' Administration; Mr. R. C. McCarthy, National Park Service Auditor (headquarters in Chicago); and Mr. N. N. Romm, proprietor, East Potomac Bicycle concessionaire, testifying. Mr. Longfellow recited the long-standing need for cafeteria facilities in the main building for the veterans, but admitted the situation has eased in recent months, although the Administrator has insisted there be a cafeteria for the Veterans' Administration employees. He stated that, inasmuch as the Veterans' Administration is a "tenant" of Public Buildings Administration, the PBA would carry considerable weight in selecting an operator of the cafeteria. He also felt that the wishes of the Veterans' Administration would be considered.

PUBLIC HEALTH

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: The committee continued hearings on S. 140 and S. 712, to create a Department of Health, Education, and Welfare, with the following witnesses testifying: Dr. James R. Miller, Member, board of trustees, American Medical Association; Dr. Roscoe Sensenich, Chairman, board of trustees, American Medical Association; Dr. Reginald F. Atwater, executive secretary, American Public Health Association; and Dr. V. A. Getting, Association of State and Territorial Health Officers.

INTERNATIONAL TRADE

Committee on Finance: Dr. Clair Wilcox, Director of the Office of International Trade Policy, State Department, continued his testimony on the relationship of the Reciprocal Trade Agreements Act to the proposed International Trade Organization Charter, explaining each article. Hearings continue tomorrow.

GREEK-TURKISH LOAN

Committee on Foreign Relations: The committee held open hearings on the administration's proposal to extend assistance to Greece and Turkey (S. 938), with Under Secretary of State Acheson, Secretary of War Patterson, and Secretary of the Navy Forrestal testifying. Hearings continue tomorrow.

MERCHANT MARINE—INSPECTION LAWS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: The two following bills were reported unanimously by the

committee, without amendment: H. R. 1240, to suspend from March 31, 1947 (termination date of title V of the Second War Powers Act) to December 31, 1947, the navigation and vessel-inspection laws, as applied to vessels operated by the War Department; and H. J. Res. 76, to provide for waiver of compliance with navigation and vessel-inspection laws administered by the Coast Guard from April 1, 1947, to January 1, 1948 (see Bills Reported for report numbers).

SECOND WAR POWERS ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: The committee ordered favorably reported S. 931 to extend provisions of Second War Powers Act. The bill was substantially amended and provides that the present controls under title III be extended until June 30, 1947. The nomination of Borinquen Marrero Rios to be Associate Justice of the Puerto Rican Supreme Court was approved. Four private claims bills (S. 241, S. 243, S. 254, and S. 425) were favorably reported.

LABOR BILLS

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: An executive session was held to consider various pending labor bills, with the committee continuing its study of the comparative print of 32 pending bills and their effect upon the provisions of the Wagner Act. Executive sessions are expected to be held throughout the remainder of the week.

PUBLIC LANDS

Committee on Public Lands: The committee met to discuss future policy.

SINGLE APPROPRIATION BILL

Committee on Rules and Administration: Subcommittee on Rules held open hearings on S. Con. Res. 6, resolution by Senators Byrd and Butler, to consolidate appropriation bills, with both Senators speaking in regard to their bill. Also present at this meeting were F. L. Lawton, Acting Assistant Director, Bureau of the Budget; F. H. Weitzel, Assistant to Comptroller General, General Accounting Office; E. F. Bartelt, Fiscal Assistant Secretary, Treasury Department; and Harold Gearhart, Assistant Chief Accountant, Treasury Department.

Committee meets again Wednesday.

AIRPLANE CONTRACT

Special Committee to Investigate the National Defense Program: On Saturday, Merrill C. Meigs, of the Hearst Corp., Chicago, and formerly of the War Production Board, testified in executive session in connection with the Kaiser-Hughes flying boat.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

BILLS INTRODUCED

Twenty-five public bills, H. R. 2735 through H. R. 2759; three private bills, H. R. 2760 through H. R. 2762; and four resolutions, H. Res. 160, H. J. Res. 158, H. Con. Res. 36 and H. Con. Res. 37, were introduced today.

Pages 2483-2484

BILL REPORTED

One bill was reported today as follows: H. R. 1, the tax-reduction bill, with amendment (Rept. No. 180).

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BORAH MEMORIAL

The House today passed S. Con. Res. 8, authorizing temporary placement in the rotunda of the Capitol a statue of the late William E. Borah of Idaho.

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DELETION FROM RECORD

The House today passed H. Res. 160, ordering certain remarks stricken from the Congressional Record.

Pages 2461-2464

MEXICAN CLAIMS

The House today passed S. J. Res. 27, to amend the Mexican Claims Act of 1942, providing for consideration of any claim decided by the General Claims Commission in which the United States filed a petition for rehearing. This resolution was passed in lieu of H. J. Res. 48 which was ordered to lie on the table.

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Reports on Committee Meetings

CROP LOANS

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee No. 3 continued its hearings on H. J. Res. 38 (crop loans) and heard several Members of Congress.

MILITARY

Committee on Armed Services: The following bills were ordered favorably reported by the full committee: H. R. 1362 (service to be counted as requirement for promotion to commissioned warrant officers in Navy); H. R. 1375 (amend clothing allowance law for Marine Corps); H. R. 2247 (permit Maj. Gen. L. S. Kuter to serve on Provisional International Civil Aviation Organization); H. R. 1621 (to assist Boy Scouts in connection with World Jamboree); H. R. 1638 (to include certain persons at Guam in the Missing Persons Act); H. R. 1807 (granting an easement to County of Pittsburg, Okla.); H. R. 2248 (granting an easement to Louisiana Power & Light Co.); H. R. 2339 (amending the Army Mail Clerks Act); H. R. 1371 (appointment of supply duty only officers in Marine Corps); H. R. 1605 (clarifying act authorizing appointment of additional officers in Army).

HOUSING AND RENT CONTROL

Committee on Banking and Currency: The committee met on H. R. 2549 (housing and rent control) and heard the testimony of four witnesses.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Committee on the District of Columbia: Subcommittee on the Judiciary met on H. R. 1448 (building license regulations), H. R. 492 (waiving jurisdiction of Juvenile Court), H. R. 493 (control dangerous weapons), H. R. 495 (false pretenses, amend Criminal Code), H. R. 497 (transfer probation system to U. S. Courts). Judge Fay Bentley testified favoring H. R. 492. Mr. George M. Fay, U. S. Attorney, testified favorably on H. R. 493.

SURPLUS GAS-TANK CARS

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: The Surplus Property Subcommittee continued its hearing on the proposed disposal of liquefied petroleum gas tank cars, and received the testimony of eleven witnesses.

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: has postponed indefinitely its executive meeting which was scheduled for March 25, at 10 a. m.

GREEK-TURKISH LOAN

Committee on Foreign Affairs: H. R. 2616 (assistance to Greece and Turkey). The committee heard Hon. Will Clayton, Under Secretary of State for Economic Affairs, who spoke in behalf of the bill.

AVIATION COUNCIL

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: The committee met and heard explanation of various bills by Members introducing them; then held open hearing on H. R. 2220 (aviation council) and heard three witnesses.

GOVERNMENT AGENCIES

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 3 continued public hearings on H. R. 1468 and H. R. 1470 (review of orders of certain Government agencies) and heard the testimony of six witnesses.

CUSTOMS—ESPIONAGE—COURTS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 4 met in executive session and agreed to report favorably to the full committee H. R. 1465 (relating to Collector of Customs), H. R. 1467 (amending the Espionage Act), H. R. 2271 (relating to 3-judge district courts), and H. R. 2272 (amending the Criminal Code).

POSTAL RATES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: The committee met on H. R. 2408 (providing for permanent postal rates) and heard the testimony of five witnesses.

INDIANS

Committee on Public Lands: The Subcommittee on Indian Affairs on Saturday, March 23, agreed to report

RECIPROCAL TRADE AGREEMENTS

Committee on Ways and Means has postponed until 10 a. m. March 26, its hearings on reciprocal trade agree-

of the Navy reporting a list of institutions which have requested donations from the Navy Department (Com-

retary of Commerce, considered the improvement of credit conditions of small business an important means

INDIANS

Committee on Public Lands: The Subcommittee on Indian Affairs on Saturday, March 22, agreed to report favorably to the full committee H. R. 1099 (land holdings of Minnesota Chippewas), and H. R. 1584 (Fort Hall Reservation Memorial), after hearing testimony from four witnesses.

ALASKA HOMESTEADING

Committee on Public Lands: The Subcommittee on Public Lands met on H. R. 868 and H. R. 1548 (providing for homesteading in Alaska by war veterans) and heard Alvin J. Hannah of Ketchikan, Alaska, who spoke in favor of H. R. 868.

COMMUNISM

Committee on Un-American Activities: The committee met on H. R. 1884 and H. R. 212 (outlawing Communist Party) and heard the testimony of three American Legion representatives and the Honorable William J. Bullitt.

VETERANS' SUBSISTENCE

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: The Subcommittee on Education, Training and Rehabilitation met on H. R. 161, H. R. 870, and H. R. 1617 (raising subsistence ceilings under GI bill of rights) and heard testimony from five witnesses.

RECIPROCAL TRADE AGREEMENTS

Committee on Ways and Means has postponed until 10 a. m., March 26, its hearings on reciprocal trade agreements.

REPORT ON JOINT COMMITTEE MEETINGS
PAPER BIDS AND BIENNIAL CATALOG

Joint Committee on Printing: The Joint Committee on Printing awarded contracts to 14 low bidders for 48 lots of paper, totaling 14,555,000 pounds, at a cost of \$1,732,998 for the quarterly period starting April 1, 1947. Only 40 percent of the Government Printing Office's total estimated requirements, amounting to 36,585,000 pounds, was governed by the awards. The remainder will be obtained in the open market.

The committee also approved a resolution eliminating the publication of a biennial catalog of Government publications, effecting a biennial saving of approximately \$60,000. It was determined that the monthly catalog, with an annual index, satisfied the requirements of sec. 77, title 44 U. S. Code, obviating the necessity for the other publication.

BILL SIGNED BY THE PRESIDENT
(New Law)

H. R. 1968, making appropriations to supply urgent deficiencies in certain appropriations for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1947. Signed March 22, 1947 (P. L. 20).

Tuesday, March 25, 1947

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed bills on Refugee Organization and Foot-and-Mouth Disease and debated Lilienthal nomination; House passed Labor-Federal Security Agency Appropriation bill and appointed conferees on Portal-to-Portal Pay.

Civil Service Retirement and Public Building bills were ordered reported to Senate.

Two veterans' bills were ordered reported to House.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 2521-2525.

Bills Introduced: Five bills and two resolutions were introduced as follows: S. 976-980, S. J. Res. 92-93.

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Bills Reported: Bills were reported, as follows: H. R. 2535, to amend the RFC Act to aid small business in

purchase of surplus property, reported March 21, 1947 (S. Rept. 73); S. 931, to extend certain powers under title III of the Second War Powers Act (S. Rept. 74); S. 516, to authorize the Central Heating Plant to furnish steam to the properties of the DAR (S. Rept. 75).

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Executive Communication: The following executive communication was received: Letter from the Secretary

of the Navy reporting a list of institutions which have requested donations from the Navy Department (Committee on Armed Services).

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Archives Board: The President pro tempore ruled that the chairman of the Committee on Civil Service would be the Senate member of the National Archives Trust Fund Board.

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Refugee Organization: The Senate passed S. J. Res. 77, providing for United States participation in the International Refugee Organization. The resolution was modified by amendments offered by Senators Revercomb and Donnell, which clarify the application of this resolution in regard to the immigration laws of the United States.

Pages 2485-2521

Lilienthal Nomination: The Senate continued debate on the nomination of David E. Lilienthal to be Chairman of the Atomic Energy Commission.

Pages 2531-2538

Foot-and-Mouth Disease: The Senate passed, without amendment, H. J. Res. 154, making appropriation of \$9 million for expenses incident to the control of the foot-and-mouth disease.

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Nomination: The nomination of Cecil W. Gray, of Tennessee, to be a consul general was received.

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Reports on Committee Meetings

NATIONAL DEFENSE ESTABLISHMENT

Committee on Armed Services: General Eisenhower and General Spaatz testified in support of S. 758, to create the National Defense Establishment. General Eisenhower asserted his belief that the one great step provided in the bill, namely, the creation of a single Secretary of National Defense, constitutes the most effective way by which concerted action among the services and the organization best adapted to meet the requirements of our national security may be realized. General Spaatz declared that the bill provides for integrated strategic planning and for unified action, and that it sets up an organization that will insure national security with increased efficiency and greater economy. Hearings continue tomorrow.

SMALL BUSINESS

Committee on Banking and Currency: Subcommittee on Small Business heard Senators Morse and Pepper testify in support of their bills—S. 217, making credit available to small business enterprise and to continue the R. F. C.; and S. 414, to encourage participation of small business concerns in foreign trade by making available Government insurance. William C. Foster, Under Sec-

retary of Commerce, considered the improvement of credit conditions of small business an important means to promote and foster small business enterprises. John D. Goodloe, RFC, speaking on S. 217, said such legislation should be amendatory of the RFC act or made a part of whatever legislation may be adopted with respect to the continuance of the RFC beyond June 30, 1947. Other persons testifying include Thomas C. Blaisdell, Jr., Director, Office of International Trade, Department of Commerce; John Parke Young, Adviser, Office of Finance and Development Policy, Department of State; William McC. Martin, Jr., Chairman, Export-Import Bank of Washington; and Fiorella H. LaGuardia, New York City.

CIVIL SERVICE RETIREMENT

Committee on Civil Service: A civil-service retirement bill (S. 637) was unanimously ordered reported to the Senate, after hearing Warren B. Irons, of the Civil Service Commission. As reported, the bill proposes: Optional retirement at the age of 60 at full annuity; retirement at age 55 on reduced annuity; involuntary separation at 55; vesting of retirement accounts after 10 years of service; and deferred annuity at age 65—at an estimated cost of \$29 million obtained from a 1% increased deduction from pay rolls, and \$20 million on the part of the Government at the beginning of the system, based upon approximately a 1,000,000 Federal work force.

The committee also unanimously ordered reported S. 715, to provide annuities for FBI agents who have rendered at least 20 years of service, after hearing Attorney General Tom C. Clark.

It was agreed to consider bills designed to create a superintendent in the Star Route Service in the Post Office Department (S. 263 and S. 264) on Tuesday, April 1.

PUBLIC HEALTH

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Three witnesses were heard on S. 140 and S. 712, to create a Department of Health, Education, and Welfare. Dr. Caroline Ware, National Association of Consumers, opposed S. 140, because it fails to recognize the consumer protection functions of the Federal Security Agency and establishes a rigid departmental organization which precludes them, but supported S. 712, with suggested amendments, to indicate the presence of consumer protection functions in the Federal Security Agency. Stanley H. Rittenberg, Assistant Director of Research, CIO, was in accord with both S. 140 and S. 712, in the establishment of an executive department dealing with Education, Health, and Security, but favored simple transferral of the functions and powers of the FSA as proposed in S. 712 as contrasted to S. 140, because of its alleged restrictive and inflexible provisions. Dr. J. Ben Robinson, Dean of the University of Maryland Dental

School, testifying in behalf of the American Dental Association, opposed both S. 140 and S. 712 as "not in the best interest of the health welfare of the public." He favored creation of a Federal Department of Health, administered by a Secretary of Health. Hearings continue tomorrow.

INTERNATIONAL TRADE

Committee on Finance: Charles Fahy and Harry Hawkins, both of the State Department, appeared before the committee in connection with its study on the relationship of the Reciprocal Trade Agreements Act to the proposed International Trade Organization Charter, to answer questions by various committee members on a number of the articles in the Charter. Hearings continue tomorrow.

GREEK LOAN

Committee on Foreign Relations: Under Secretary of State Will Clayton testified in support of S. 938, to extend assistance to Greece and Turkey. Hearings continue March 26, with Former Mayor LaGuardia scheduled to testify.

LABOR LEGISLATION

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: The committee in executive session considered pending labor bills.

PUERTO RICO—COMMISSIONER OF EDUCATION

Committee on Public Lands: Witnesses representing the Department of Interior, various educational institutions, and officials of Puerto Rico testified before Subcommittee on Territorial and Insular Affairs in support of the nomination of Mariano Villarronga to be Commissioner of Education for Puerto Rico. Hearings continue tomorrow.

PUBLIC BUILDINGS

Committee on Public Works: The following two bills were ordered reported to the Senate, without amendment: S. 516, to authorize furnishing steam heat to DAR properties (S. Rept. 75); S. 723, to study plans and costs for an additional office building for the Senate (\$25,000).

A subcommittee report on S. 450, to authorize construction of a building for the United States Court of Appeals for D. C. at a cost of \$10,300,000, was received by the full committee, which agreed to hold hearings on this bill but set no definite date.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Eighteen public bills, H. R. 2763 through H. R. 2780, nine private bills, H. R. 2781 through H. R. 2789, and four resolutions, H. J. Res. 159-160, H. Con. Res. 38, and H. Res. 161, were introduced today. Pages 2588-2589

Resolution and Bills Reported: One resolution and three bills were reported as follows: H. Res. 161, rule for debate on H. R. 1, tax-reduction bill (Rept. No. 181); H. R. 1621, furnishing aid to Boy Scouts of America in holding World-wide Jamboree in France (Rept. No. 182); and private bills H. R. 1176 and H. R. 1318 (Repts. Nos. 183 and 184). Page 2588

Bills Referred: Seven bills which passed the Senate on March 24 were transmitted to the House, of which five were referred to the following committees: S. 736 (District of Columbia), S. 875 and S. 918 (Armed Services), S. 874 (Merchant Marine and Fisheries), and S. J. Res.

86 (Foreign Affairs). (For details on these bills, see Digest, March 24, p. D43.) Page 2588

Domestic Rubber Industry: The House today agreed to Senate amendments on H. J. Res. 118, to continue the synthetic rubber program until permanent legislation is enacted or until March 31, 1948, and to end the Government purchase of natural rubber on March 31, 1947. Page 2542

Merchant Marine: The House today passed H. R. 1344, admitting the American-owned ferry *Crosline* to American registry and permitting its use in coastwide trade. Page 2541

Labor-Federal Security Agency Appropriations: The House passed H. R. 2700, with an amendment, a bill making appropriations for the Department of Labor, the Federal Security Agency, and related independent agencies for fiscal year ending June 30, 1948. Pages 2542-2583

Portal-to-Portal Conferees: The House agreed to a conference with the Senate on H. R. 2157, the portal-to-portal pay bill, and Representatives Michener, Gwynne of Iowa, Goodwin, Celler, and Walter, were appointed as House conferees. Page 2585

Reports on Committee Meetings

MARKETING AGREEMENTS

Committee on Agriculture: Met on H. R. 452 (marketing agreements) and heard R. C. Lytle, Falls Cities Cooperative Milk Producers Association, and O. H. Hoffman, Interstate Milk Producers Cooperative.

HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: Met on H. R. 2549 (housing and rent control) and heard William E. Russell, general chairman, Metropolitan Fair Rent Committee, and George Englar, president, National Apartment Owners Association.

GREEK-TURKISH LOAN

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Met on H. R. 2616 (assistance to Greece and Turkey) and heard Hon. Lincoln MacVeagh, U. S. Ambassador to Greece, and Lt. Col. Allen C. Miller II, who testified in behalf of the bill.

AVIATION

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Concluded public hearing on H. R. 2220 (National Aviation Council) and heard Gen. Oliver P. Echols, president, Aircraft Industries Association of America, Inc., who testified in favor of the bill.

POSTAL RATES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Met on H. R. 2408 (providing for permanent postal rates) and heard John Ribble, Westminster Press, and Charles A. Heiss, of East Orange, N. J.

ALASKAN HOMESTEAD

Committee on Public Lands: The Subcommittee on Public Lands met on H. R. 868 and H. R. 1548 (providing for homesteading in Alaska by war veterans) and heard John Raymond Pratt, a resident of Ketchikan, Alaska, and W. M. Floyd, of Kodiak, Alaska, representing Regular Veterans Association, who testified in favor of the bills.

EDUCATION AND RECREATION

Committee on Public Works: The Subcommittee on Public Buildings and Grounds met on H. R. 2473 (to transfer to the States all interest of the United States in

educational and recreational facilities acquired under the act of October 14, 1940) and heard the testimony of Representative Leroy Johnson (Calif.); General Fleming, Commissioner of Public Buildings Administration; George Field, Community Facilities; and W. A. Berle, Norfolk, Va.

TAX-REDUCTION BILL

Committee on Rules: H. Res. 161, providing 6 hours of general debate on H. R. 1 (tax-reduction bill) was reported by the committee after hearing Representatives Knutson, Reed (N. Y.), and Jenkins, and Simpson (Pa.).

SUBVERSIVE ACTIVITY

Committee on Un-American Activities: Met on H. R. 1884 and H. R. 2122 (outlawing Communist Party) and heard William Green, president, AFL, and Allen Solada, of the American Veterans of World War II.

VETERANS

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Held open hearings on H. R. 1844 (to grant easements of lands belonging to the United States) and heard Guy H. Birdsall, Assistant Administrator for Legislation, Veterans' Administration, and Col. F. H. Dryden, Assistant Administrator for Construction, Supply, and Real Estate. The bill was ordered favorably reported.

The committee also held open hearings on H. R. 2368 (to authorize a revolving fund for veterans taking vocational training) and heard the testimony of Guy H. Birdsall, Assistant Administrator for Legislation, Veterans' Administration; Frank W. Kelsey, Assistant Administrator for Finance; and H. V. Stirling, Assistant Administrator for Vocational Rehabilitation. The bill was ordered favorably reported.

REPORT ON JOINT COMMITTEE MEETINGS

D. C. TAX PROPOSALS

Joint Meeting of Fiscal Subcommittees of the House and Senate District of Columbia Committees: Continuing the study of the D. C. Budget, Senator O'Mahoney and three District officials appeared before the joint session of the Fiscal Subcommittees. Senator O'Mahoney pointed out the need for a fair formula in order to determine amount of contribution the Federal Government should make to the District. The three District officials (Robert Cogswell, Rent Administrator; Clara Herbert, Librarian; and Roland Brennan, Purchasing Agent) discussed the work of their respective offices, pointing out the need for additional funds to do a good job. Hearings continue tomorrow.

Wednesday, March 26, 1947

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate debated sugar bill and approved mine inspection investigation;
House debated tax bill and passed deficiency appropriations.
Committee on Rules and Administration ordered six bills and resolutions reported to Senate.
Hearings on Arabian oil announced.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 2590-2593.

Bills Introduced: Three bills and three resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 981-983, S. Con. Res. 11, S. Res. 97-98. *Pages 2592, 2614*

Bills Referred: H. R. 1344, H. R. 2700, and H. J. Res. 159 were referred to committees. (For passage in the House; see pp. D48, D52.) *Page 2593*

Bills Reported: The following bills were reported to the Senate: S. 715, to provide annuities to FBI agents after 20 years' service (S. Rept. 76); H. R. 1943, to establish a permanent Nurse Corps of the Army and Navy and to establish a Women's Medical Specialist Corps in the Army (S. Rept. 77); S. 526, to promote the progress of science; to advance the National health, prosperity, and welfare; to secure the National defense; with amendments (S. Rept. 78). *Page 2591*

Bill Sent to President: S. J. Res. 27, amending the Mexican Claims Act, was sent to the President. *Page 2591*

Lilienthal Nomination: The Senate debated the nomination of David E. Lilienthal to be Chairman of the Atomic Energy Commission, prior to considering S. J. Res. 58. *Pages 2592-2598*

Sugar Legislation: Senate debated S. J. Res. 58, to extend powers and authorities with respect to the distribution and pricing of sugar, taking the following action: Senator Tobey offered an amendment which would provide for home consumption of not less than 35 pounds of sugar per year and up to 50 pounds if supplies warranted. Motion by Senator McCarthy to table the Tobey amendment was defeated 26 yeas to 48 nays. *Pages 2598-2612, 2622*

Silver Bills: Senator McCarran withdrew his motion to reconsider the passage of S. 565, to amend section 3539 relating to the taking of trial pieces of coins. This has the effect of sending the bill to the House. The Senate passed S. 566, to amend sections 3533 and 3536

of the Revised Statutes with respect to deviations in standards of ingots and weight of silver coins. *Page 2612*

Mine Inspection: The Senate adopted by voice vote S. Res. 98 (proposed by Senator Brooks), directing the Committee on Public Lands, or a subcommittee thereof, to investigate the disaster at the Centralia, Illinois, coal mine on March 25, 1947. The resolution was adopted after it had been modified by amendments proposed by Senators O'Mahoney and Barkley. *Pages 2612-2619*

Grain Bonus: Several Senators discussed S. 669, to provide for the payment of a bonus of 30 cents per bushel on wheat and corn produced and sold between January 1, 1945, and April 18, 1946. *Pages 2620-2622*

Nominations: The Senate received the following nominations: 280 appointments in the Navy (Committee on Armed Services); 17 Foreign Service appointments, Class 3, 4, 5, and 6 (Committee on Foreign Relations); and 49 postmaster appointments (Committee on the Civil Service.) *Pages 2622-2624*

Reports on Committee Meetings

PRICE SUPPORT FOR WOOL

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Senator O'Mahoney testified in open hearings in support of legislation to provide for a price-support program for wool (S. 103, S. 814, and S. 917). Committee continues tomorrow.

NATIONAL DEFENSE ESTABLISHMENT

Committee on Armed Services: Testifying in support of S. 758, to create the National Defense Establishment, Fleet Admiral Chester W. Nimitz stated that the measure is a workable, over-all compromise drawn up in a spirit of cooperation and understanding to provide the Nation with a defense organization adaptable to warfare of the day.

On Friday, March 28, committee will hear Major General Lauris Norstad and Vice Admiral Forrest P. Sherman.

HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: Four witnesses testified in opposition generally to S. 866, the long-range housing bill, and other housing proposals (S. 287, S. 701, S. 803, and S. 804), as follows: J. H. Deckman, National Home and Property Owners Foundation, Washington; George M. Engler, National Association of Apartment Owners, Baltimore; George West, United States Chamber of Commerce; and James W. Rouse, Mortgage Banking Association of America. These witnesses spoke in behalf of private enterprise, holding the only way to cure the housing shortage was through production; generally, they opposed interference by Federal Government.

POST OFFICE DEPARTMENT DEFICIT

Committee on Civil Service: Continuing the study on S. Res. 43, to investigate how to reduce the Post Office Department deficit by a revision of postal rates, the committee heard testimony by Hartman Barber, Brotherhood of Railway and Steamship Clerks; Francis J. Buckley, Deputy Fourth Assistant Postmaster General; and Nelson B. Wentzel, Deputy Third Assistant Postmaster General. Mr. Barber said parcel-post service is "the only mail service which the law requires to be self-supporting." He added that, except for 1945, this service had never been self-supporting and that the Post Office was working on a basis of "what the traffic can bear." Mr. Buckley gave a comprehensive discussion on the postal rolling stock. Mr. Wentzel's testimony was in the form of a rebuttal to certain statements made on March 21 to the committee by publishers, in an effort to broaden the base of the general inquiry into postal rates and how they are arrived at.

Yesterday, the committee unanimously approved the purpose of S. Res. 91, to identify the committee as "The Committee on Post Office and Civil Service" instead of "The Committee on Civil Service," to be made effective as of January 1, 1948.

The committee agreed to meet on April 15 on S. 6 and S. 554, relative to census of manufacturers.

PUBLIC HEALTH

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Department: Four witnesses testified on S. 140 and S. 712, to create a Department of Health, Education, and Welfare. Dr. E. S. Bagnall, Massachusetts Medical Society, opposed S. 140 and S. 712, but approved S. 545 as being more desirable. Mr. L. L. Gourley, American Osteopathic Association, held the motivation of both bills (S. 140 and S. 712) was worthy of consideration. He felt, however, that the President should be able to choose the best man for the job. Miss Elizabeth A. Smart, National Woman's Christian Temperance Union, felt that any law should not be too rigid, but flexible, and, for that reason, preferred S. 712 over S. 140. Dr. Robert P. Fischelis, American Pharmaceutical Association, had

no opposition to the plan to give cabinet status to the present set-up. Hearings continue tomorrow.

INTERNATIONAL TRADE

Committee on Finance: Dr. Clair Wilcox, Director of the Office of International Trade Policy, State Department, continued his testimony on the relationship of the Reciprocal Trade Agreements Act to the proposed International Trade Organization Charter. Dr. Wilcox will continue tomorrow.

On Friday, March 28, the committee will hold open hearings on H. R. 2404, copper bill, and then resume the study of the Charter on Saturday.

GREEK-TURKISH LOAN

Committee on Foreign Relations: The committee continued consideration of S. 938, to extend assistance to Greece and Turkey, and heard the following witnesses: Former Mayor Fiorello H. LaGuardia; Charles Bolte, representing American Veterans Committee; Professor Broadus Mitchell, Post War Council; A. J. Muste, Fellowship of Reconciliation; Katherine Lee Marshall, Women's International League for Peace and Freedom; Reverend William A. Melish, Council of American-Soviet Friendship; Professor Samuel Guy Inman, Ohio Wesleyan; A. J. Schuster, American Labor Party, New York City; Harry Fleishman, Socialist Party; Richard Wood, National Peace Conference; and Stella Margold, Correspondent.

PUERTO RICO—KLAMATH INDIANS

Committee on Public Lands: Statements were filed on behalf of the nomination of Mariano Villaronga, to be Commissioner of Education for Puerto Rico, and the Subcommittee on Territories and Insular Affairs then recessed until Thursday, when it will hear Mr. Villaronga in defense of his own nomination.

The Indian Affairs Subcommittee held hearings pertaining to the Klamath Indians.

PRESIDENT, POSTMASTERS, AND SENATE RULES

Committee on Rules and Administration: The following bills and resolutions were ordered favorably reported: S. Res. 81, to investigate the appointment of first-, second-, and third-class postmasters; S. Res. 91, to change the name of "The Committee on Civil Service" to "The Committee on Post Office and Civil Service"; S. Res. 93, to print additional copies of hearings on labor relations program; S. J. Res. 89, relative to distribution of the Daily Digest; S. 564, to provide for the performance of the duties of the office of President in case of removal, resignation, or inability of both the President and Vice President; and a resolution to substitute the name of the Committee on Rules and Administration for names of former standing committees where they appear in certain Senate rules (not yet introduced).

The committee meets next in executive session on April 9.

ARABIAN OIL—AIRPLANE CONTRACTS

Special Committee to Investigate the National Defense Program: In executive session, it was agreed that the committee would hold hearings on Friday, March 28, to hear James A. Moffett relative to purchase of oil from

the Arabian-American Oil Company, "to find out if we are paying too much for oil." The committee also agreed to subpoena Mr. Howard Hughes and records on flying boats for a meeting next Tuesday, April 1. Mr. Hughes had agreed to make certain records available to the committee, which he now refuses to submit for examination.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills and Resolutions Introduced: Thirteen public bills, H. R. 2790 through H. R. 2802, eleven private bills, H. R. 2803 through H. R. 2813, and three resolutions, H. J. Res. 161, and H. Res. 162-163, were introduced. Pages 2685-2686

Joint Resolutions Reported: H. J. Res. 159, deficiency appropriation bill to meet Government pay and cost increases (H. Rept. 185); H. J. Res. 158, continuation of wool-price-support program by the Commodity Credit Corporation (H. Rept. 186), were reported. Page 2685

Joint Resolution Referred: One joint resolution which passed the Senate on March 25 was transmitted to the House and referred to the following committee: S. J. Res. 77 (Foreign Affairs). (For details on this resolution, see Digest, March 25, p. D47.) Page 2685

Government Employees: The House passed H. J. Res. 159, making appropriations to supply deficiencies due to increased pay and operating costs of the General Government, for fiscal year ending June 30, 1947. Pages 2624-2626

Joint Resolution Sent to President: H. J. Res. 118, to continue the synthetic rubber program until permanent legislation is enacted or until March 31, 1948, and to end the Government purchase of natural rubber on March 31, 1947, was sent to the President. Page 2685

Tax-Reduction Bill: The House adopted the rule (H. Res. 161) providing for consideration of H. R. 1, reduction of individual income taxes. Pages 2627-2684

Reports on Committee Meetings

AGRICULTURE

Committee on Agriculture: Met in executive session to discuss future program of the committee. Will meet again tomorrow for same purpose at 10 a. m. in 1310 New House Office Building.

MILITARY

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee No. 6 on Procurement concluded hearings on the system used by

the Army and Navy in connection with the purchase of supplies for Army PX's and Navy ships' service stores, and heard Hon. W. John Kenney, Assistant Secretary of the Navy.

HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: Continued public hearings on H. R. 2549 (housing and rent control) and heard George West, chairman, construction and civic development department committee, U. S. Chamber of Commerce; Hon. Fiorello LaGuardia; Douglas Whitlock, chairman, Building Products Institute; and James W. Rouse, Mortgage Bankers Association of America.

ANTIBRIBERY

Committee on the District of Columbia: Subcommittee on the Judiciary met at 10 a. m. in executive session, followed at 10:30 by public hearing on H. R. 933, H. R. 878, and H. R. 211 (bribery in athletic contests) and heard Hon. George Fay, district attorney; Arnold J. Auerbach, Inspector Clarence Talley; Col. Harvey Miller; and Bert Bell.

GREEK-TURKISH LOAN

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Met in executive session on H. R. 2616 (assistance to Greece and Turkey) and heard Hon. Edwin C. Wilson, U. S. Ambassador to Turkey.

ICC AND FCC ACTS AMENDMENTS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Met in executive session on H. R. 2759 (to amend the Interstate Commerce Act) and the bill was ordered favorably reported as amended. Committee also considered H. R. 2331 (to amend section 20a of Interstate Commerce Act) and H. R. 2336 (to amend the Communications Act of 1934). These bills were ordered reported favorably without amendments.

MONOPOLIES

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 2 held hearings on H. R. 515 (amending Clayton Act) and heard Charles W. Holman, secretary, National Cooperative Milk Producers Federation; Robert Rand, legal con-

sultant to the Secretary of Commerce; Fred I. Raymond, Chicago; Charles J. Beck, Fredericksburg, Va.; William T. Kelley, chief counsel, Federal Trade Commission.

BANKRUPTCY

Committee on the Judiciary: Special Subcommittee on Bankruptcy and Reorganization held hearings on H. R. 463 and H. R. 2451 (amending Bankruptcy Act) and heard Representative William Lemke; Peter B. Olney, chairman, National Bankruptcy Conference; Fred H. Kruse, secretary, National Bankruptcy Conference; E. L. Covey, Chief of Bankruptcy, Administrative Office of the U. S. Courts; Robert L. Hogg, executive vice president, American Life Convention; C. C. Klocksins, legislative counsel, Northwestern Mutual Life Insurance Co.; Harold V. Campbell, Department of Agriculture.

POSTAL RATES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Met on H. R. 2408 (providing for permanent postal rates) and heard Thomas M. Pelly, Lowman & Hanford Co., Seattle, Wash.; Paul W. Barnett, Row Peterson & Co., Evanston, Ill.; and John O'Conner, Grosset & Dunlap, Inc., New York, N. Y.

AMENDING RECLAMATION PROJECT ACT

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation resumed hearings on H. R. 1886 and H. R. 1977 (to amend the Reclamation Project Act of 1939) and heard Representative Fred Norman, of Washington, and Royce J. Tipton, consulting engineer, Denver, Colo.

RURAL POST ROADS

Committee on Public Works: Subcommittee on Roads met on H. R. 1874 (providing for Government aid to States in the construction of rural post roads) and heard

Judge C. W. Phillips, president, American Association of State Highway Officials; Thomas H. MacDonald, Commissioner of Public Roads; Charles M. Upham, American Roadbuilders Association; and Thomas G. Walters, director, rural department, National Association of Letter Carriers.

SUBVERSIVE ACTIVITY

Committee on Un-American Activities: Met on H. R. 1884 and 2122 (outlawing Communist Party) and heard Dr. Emerson Schmidt, president, U. S. Chamber of Commerce; Eugene Dennis, general secretary of the Communist Party; J. Edgar Hoover, Director, FBI; Mrs. Julius Y. Talmadge, president general, DAR.

RECIPROCAL TRADE AGREEMENTS

Committee on Ways and Means: Held open hearings on reciprocal trade agreements and heard Hon. William L. Clayton, Under Secretary of State for Economic Affairs.

REPORT ON JOINT COMMITTEE MEETINGS

D. C. TAXES AND BUDGET

Joint Meeting of Fiscal Subcommittees of the House and Senate District of Columbia Committees: Congressman Horan, in appearing before a joint session of the Fiscal Subcommittees, was critical of the entire set-up of the D. C. Government and doubted whether the District was ready for self-government, avoiding reflection on all personalities. He stated he did not believe Senator O'Mahoney's formula bill or any other percentage bill would be a cure-all. Hobart M. Corning, Superintendent of Schools, discussed the lack of adequate teaching staff and adequate qualifications of many teachers, due to insufficient compensation. Committee continues tomorrow.

Thursday, March 27, 1947

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate by vote of 46 to 34 passed Sugar Bill after disposing of amendments;
House passed Income Tax Reduction and Selective Service Bills.
Second war powers extension passed by both Houses and sent to conference.
Deficiency Appropriation Bill reported to Senate.
Hearings on Greek-Turkish aid and Public Health concluded by Senate groups.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 2686-2694, 2733-2735.

Bills Introduced: Six bills and one resolution were introduced as follows: S. 984-989, S. Res. 99.

Pages 2687, 2689

Bills Reported: The following resolution was reported: H. J. Res. 159, making appropriations to supply deficiencies, totaling \$243,255,607, in certain appropriations for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1947 (S. Rept. 79). Page 2687

Second War Powers Act: By voice vote, the Senate passed as reported and sent to the House S. 931, to extend certain powers of the President under Title III of the Second War Powers Act until June 30, 1947. The bill as passed specifically omits any control over sugar or rubber since these are already the subject of specific legislation. Bill was later sent to conference and Senators Wiley, Cooper, and McGrath were appointed as conferees for Senate. Pages 2695-2697

Sugar Legislation: The Senate passed with amendment by a vote of 46 yeas to 34 nays, and sent to conference, H. J. Res. 146, to extend powers and authorities with respect to the distribution and pricing of sugar. The debate took place on S. J. Res. 58 which was the Senate version of the proposal. At the conclusion of debate the Senate inserted its language for the House-passed bill. Conferees named for the Senate are Senators Tobey, Flanders, and Maybank.

The following amendments were acted on: Tobey Amendment adopted by 49 yeas to 32 nays, to provide for 35 pounds of sugar for each person and up to 50 pounds if supplies become available; adopted by 45 yeas to 35 nays, McCarthy Amendment to end sugar rationing on October 31, 1947, but to retain inventory controls over consumers other than household users; defeated by 32 yeas to 47 nays, McCarthy Amendment to give housewives 40 pounds between April 1, 1947, and October 31, 1947 (in effect 10 additional pounds for canning); adopted by voice vote Wherry Amendment making available 50,000 tons of sugar for hardship cases for new businesses; defeated by 34 yeas to 44 nays, another amendment offered by Senator Wherry, giving 40 pounds per year to each person and 15 additional pounds for canning; adopted Tobey Amendment to give personnel administering the act certain benefits under Veterans Preference Act of 1944.

Senator O'Mahoney moved to recommit the bill to committee and Senator Taft moved to table the O'Mahoney suggestion. The Taft motion was adopted 44 yeas to 36 nays. The bill was then passed.

Pages 2697-2733

Nominations: The Senate received the following nominations: Benjamin Scott Whaley, of South Carolina, to be United States Attorney for the Eastern District of South Carolina; George W. Folta to be United States District Judge of Division No. 1, District of Alaska; nine appointments in the regular corps of the Public Health Service also were received. Pages 2735-2736

Confirmations: Senate confirmed the nominations of Borinquen Marrero Rios, to be associate justice of Supreme Court of Puerto Rico, and Francis A. O'Neill, Jr., New York, to be member of National Mediation Board. In addition, the Senate confirmed 638 Navy nominations, including Admiral Jonas H. Ingram; 1,344 Army

nominations, including Lucius DuBignon Clay to be a full General; 74 Marine Corps nominations; and 4 nominations in the Public Health Service. Pages 2736-2737

Reports on Committee Meetings

WOOL PRICE SUPPORT

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Senators Saltonstall and Lodge spoke in support of their bill, S. 917, to encourage the production of sheep and to protect the domestic price of wool. Studying bills to provide a price-support program for wool (S. 103, S. 814, and S. 917), the committee also heard Malcolm Green, National Trade Association, who answered committee questions concerning the operation of wool trade, and Under Secretary of Agriculture Dodd, who gave a brief summary of the wool situation as handled by the Department of Agriculture.

Hearings will continue tomorrow.

APPROPRIATIONS—TREASURY, POST OFFICE, AND DEFICIENCY

Committee on Appropriations: The deficiency appropriation bill providing for \$243,255,607 to supply deficiencies due to increased pay and operating costs of the Government for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1947 (H. J. Res. 159) was ordered reported to the Senate without amendment. A. L. M. Wiggin, Undersecretary of the Treasury, appeared before subcommittee to make a general statement on H. R. 2436, Treasury-Post Office appropriation bill for 1948. Committee will continue tomorrow.

HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: Five witnesses testified in opposition to S. 866, the long-range housing bill, and other housing proposals (S. 287, S. 701, S. 803, and S. 804), as follows: Earl Teckmeyer, Indianapolis, Ind.; Paul Bestor, vice president, Prudential Insurance Co. of America; Herbert U. Nelson, executive vice president, National Association of Real Estate Boards; Douglas Whitlock, chairman, the Building Products Institute; and Abner H. Ferguson, attorney, U. S. Savings and Loan League.

Committee continues tomorrow.

RETIREMENT BILL

Committee on Civil Service: The committee held an executive session on S. 637, amending the Federal Retirement Act, to provide a more liberal retirement program. (For details on bill as ordered reported on March 25, see Digest, p. D47.)

PUBLIC HEALTH

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Hearings were concluded today on S. 140 and

S. 712, to create a Department of Health, Education, and Welfare, after hearing Dr. William P. Howard, president of the Association of American Physicians and Surgeons, Chicago, Ill., and Oscar Cox, attorney, Washington, D. C. Dr. Howard opposed both S. 140 and S. 712 and asked postponement of any decision on them until S. 545 and other important medical and scientific legislation had been considered. Mr. Cox stated that the differences between the bills had been unduly exaggerated, holding that either S. 140 or S. 712 would establish the department on the existing foundation of the Federal Security Agency. He said S. 140, however, would give the department a fresh start and a congressional charter and mandate to do a job.

The committee has no other hearings scheduled.

INTERNATIONAL TRADE

Committee on Finance: A study of the relationship of the Reciprocal Trade Agreements Act to the proposed International Trade Organization Charter was continued, with Dr. Clair Wilcox and Mr. Harry Hawkins, both of the State Department, and George Bronz, of the General Counsel's Office of the Treasury Department, discussing various details of the Charter.

Committee meets tomorrow on copper bill (H. R. 2404).

GREEK-TURKISH LOAN

Committee on Foreign Relations: The committee concluded hearings on S. 938, to extend assistance to Greece

and Turkey, and heard the following witnesses: Mabel Vernon, People's Mandate Committee for American Peace and Cooperation; Mark R. Shaw, National Council for the Prevention of War; Mrs. S. J. Moore, Arlington, Va.; Allen D. Fields, Nation Associates; Clark Eichelberger, American Association for United Nations; Costa G. Couvaras, American Relief for Greek Democracy; David Watley, Washington attorney; and Martin Popper, National Lawyers Guild.

Executive session is scheduled for tomorrow.

WAGE-HOUR APPOINTMENT

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: The committee approved the nomination of William R. McComb, to be Wage-Hour Administrator; also considered pending labor bills.

PUERTO RICO—INDIAN COMMISSION

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Indian Affairs heard Senator Moore in support of his bill, S. 405, to repeal the act creating the Indian Claims Commission. Senator O'Mahoney, Secretary of Interior Krug, and representatives of Indians testified against the bill.

Mariano Villaronga testified in support of his nomination to be Commissioner of Education for Puerto Rico before the Subcommittee on Territories and Insular Affairs. Various opposition witnesses appeared after Mr. Villaronga.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Eighteen public bills, H. R. 2814-H. R. 2831, six private bills, H. R. 2832-H. R. 2837, and one resolution, H. Res. 164, were introduced.

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Bills Reported: H. R. 1844, authorizing Veterans' Administration to grant easements of Government lands (H. Rept. 187); H. R. 2368, amend Veterans Regulations to increase funds for vocational rehabilitation (H. Rept. 188); H. R. 1888, to incorporate American Veterans of World War II (H. Rept. 189); disposition of executive papers (H. Rept. 190-191); H. R. 1983, amend Second War Powers Act, 1942 (H. Rept. 192); S. 875, appointment of Maj. Gen. Laurence S. Kuter to Interim Council of Provisional International Civil Aviation Organization (H. Rept. 193); H. R. 49, statehood of Hawaii (H. Rept. 194); H. R. 1605, appointment of additional commissioned officers in Regular Army (H. Rept. 195); H. R. 1368, to include civilian officers and employees

of Naval Government of Guam to benefits of Missing Persons Act (H. Rept. 196); H. R. 1807, authorizing Secretary of the Navy to grant easement to Pittsburg County, Okla., for a highway over ammunition depot at McAlester, Okla. (H. Rept. 197); H. R. 2248, authorizing Secretary of War to convey to Louisiana Power & Light Co. by quitclaim deed part of Camp Livingston, La. (H. Rept. 198). Pages 2787-2788

Bills Referred: Two bills, S. 565 and S. 566, were referred to the Committee on Banking and Currency. (For details on Senate action see Digest, p. D50.)

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Bill Sent to President: H. J. Res. 154, making appropriation for expenses incident to control and eradication of foot-and-mouth disease and rinderpest.

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Tax Reduction Bill: The House considered H. R. 1, providing for reductions in individual income tax payments, adopted an amendment recommended by the

Committee on Ways and Means, rejected a motion to recommit the bill offered by Mr. Doughton by a yeand-nay vote, 172 to 237, and passed the bill by a yeand-nay vote, 273 to 137. Pages 2739-2775

Second War Powers Act: The House passed, with an amendment, S. 931, to extend certain war powers of the President under Title III of the Second War Powers Act until June 30, 1947, after substituting the language of H. R. 1983, asked conference with Senate, and appointed the following conferees: Representatives Michener, Springer, Fellows, Devitt, Walter, Byrne, and Cravens. Pages 2776-2782

Selective Service: The House passed, with amendments, S. 918, establishing Office of Selective Service Records, asked conference with Senate, and appointed Representatives Short, Cole (N. Y.), and Drewry as conferees. Pages 2776-2778

Commissioner Appointment: The Speaker announced appointment of Representative McGarvey to fill vacancy on the Philadelphia National Shrines Park Commission. Page 2739

First Deficiency Appropriation Bill: Mr. Taber obtained consent until midnight Friday, March 28, to file report on the first deficiency appropriation bill for fiscal year 1947. Page 2775

Reports on Committee Meetings

SELECTIVE SERVICE RECORDS

Committee on Armed Services: Met on S. 918 (to establish an Office of Selective Service Records) and heard Maj. Gen. Lewis B. Hershey. It was agreed to seek unanimous consent to bring up bill, then to offer committee-approved amendments from the floor.

HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: Continued public hearings on H. R. 2549 (housing and rent control) and heard James B. Carey, secretary-treasurer, CIO, and R. J. Thomas, vice president UAW-CIO.

GREEK-TURKISH LOAN

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Continued open hearings on H. R. 2616 (assistance to Greece and Turkey) and heard Hon. Robert P. Patterson, Secretary of War, who spoke in favor of the bill.

FOOD AND DRUGS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Met in executive session to confer with officials of the Food and Drug Administration and heard Dr. Paul B. Dunbar, Commissioner, Food and Drug Administration, and Watson B. Miller, Administrator, Federal Security Administration.

SECOND WAR POWERS ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Met and ordered favorably reported H. R. 1983 (to amend the Second War

Powers Act, 1942, as amended) relating to allocation of essential materials, grain products, fats and oils, meat, etc.

POSTAL RATES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Continued public hearings on H. R. 2408 (permanent postal rates) and heard Russell Reynolds, National Association of College Stores, Chicago, Ill.; William M. Oman, Oxford University Press, New York, N. Y.; Gilbert Goodkind, American Booksellers' Association, New York, N. Y.; Lawrence Saunders, W. B. Saunders Co., Philadelphia, Pa.; John Haggerty, International Trade Union; Prof. Norman Pearson, Yale University; Ed M. Anderson, National Editorial Association, Brevard, N. C.; and Tom Greene, Tennessee Press Association.

AMENDING RECLAMATION PROJECT ACT

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation continued public hearings on H. R. 1886, H. R. 1977, and H. R. 2583 (to amend the Reclamation Project Act of 1939) and heard Royce J. Tipton, consulting engineer, Denver, Colo., and Don McBride, secretary-manager, National Reclamation Association; both testified in behalf of H. R. 1886.

SURVEYS

Committee on Public Works: Subcommittee on Rivers and Harbors met in brief session on surveys.

SUBVERSIVE ACTIVITIES

Committee on Un-American Activities: Continued open hearings on H. R. 1884 and H. R. 2122 (outlawing Communist Party) and heard Eric Johnston, president, Motion Pictures Advisory Committee, and Governor Kim Sigler, Lansing, Mich.

REPORT ON JOINT COMMITTEE MEETINGS

D. C. TAXES AND BUDGET

Joint meeting of Fiscal Subcommittees of the House and Senate of District of Columbia Committees: District Commissioner Gordon Young and officials of the District Government testified at a joint session of the fiscal subcommittees, discussing the duties and functions of their respective offices. Mr. Young discussed the present needs of the District and outlined general plans.

District officials testifying include Harold Kemp, Director of Sanitary Engineering; Ellwood Johnson, Deputy Director of Sanitary Engineering; William A. Xanten, Director, Refuse Division; David Auld, Superintendent of Water Division; and G. E. Keneipp, Director, Department of Vehicles and Traffic.

BILL SIGNED BY THE PRESIDENT

(New Law)

S. 276, to provide for payment and settlement of mileage and other travel allowance accounts of military personnel. Signed March 26, 1947 (P. L. 21).

Friday, March 28, 1947

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed bills on Navigation, Selective Service, Deficiency Appropriations, and debated Lilienthal nomination; House appointed conferees on Sugar Bill.

Bills on Daylight Saving, Tobacco, and National Airport Police were ordered reported to House.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 2789-2796.

Bills Introduced: Nine bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 990-S. 999, S. Res. 100. Pages 2791, 2825

Bills Reported: Bills and resolutions were reported, as follows: S. 564, to provide for the performance of duties of the office of President in case of the removal, resignation, or inability of both the President and Vice President (S. Rept. 80); and S. Res. 81, authorizing the Committee on Civil Service to investigate the appointment of first-, second-, and third-class postmasters (no written majority report; minority views, S. Rept. 81). Page 2790-2791

Bills Referred: The following House-passed bill was referred to committee: H. R. 1. (For passage in House, see pp. D55-56.) Page 2793

Public Lands: Senate passed S. Res. 97, permitting the completion of report begun by the Committee on Public Lands in the 79th Congress. Page 2794

Wage-Hour Administrator: Confirmed nomination of William R. McComb, as Wage-Hour Administrator. Page 2794

Nominations: The Senate received the following nominations: Rear Admiral Alfred M. Pride, to be Chief of the Bureau of Aeronautics, Navy Department; and two promotions in the regular corps of the Public Health Service. Page 2829

Navigation Laws: Senate passed H. R. 1240, authorizing the suspension of certain navigation and vessel-inspection laws as applied to ships operated by War Department until December 31, 1947; also passed H. J. Res. 76, authorizing the Coast Guard Commandant to waive compliance with the navigation and vessel-inspection laws administered by the Coast Guard in such manner as he may deem necessary in the orderly reconversion of the merchant marine. This authority shall expire April 1, 1948, and, after June 1, 1947, the

Commandant may not waive compliance with certain sections requiring the employment of American citizens as officers and crew members. This action clears these bills for the President's signature. Page 2796

Lilienthal Nomination: Senate continued debate on the nomination of David E. Lilienthal to be Chairman of the Atomic Energy Commission. Senator Bricker offered a motion to recommit the Lilienthal nomination, together with the others pending for confirmation, to the Atomic Energy Committee, with instructions to the Committee to give further consideration to the nominations and provide for investigation of each nominee by the Federal Bureau of Investigation. Pages 2796-2825

Selective Service: Senate agreed to the Conference Report on S. 918, relating to the retention of Selective Service records. As agreed to, the records will be maintained on a State-wide basis. Page 2793

Deficiency Appropriations: The Senate passed without amendment, clearing for the President's signature, H. J. Res. 159, to make certain appropriations to supply deficiencies for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1947, totaling \$243,255,607. Page 2820

Document on Economic Conditions: On motion of Senator Taft, the Senate ordered printed as a Senate Document (No. 21) an "Analysis of the Testimony of Philip Murray on Economic Issues." The analysis was made by the Legislative Reference Service of the Library of Congress and relates to the testimony of Mr. Murray before the Committee on Labor and Public Welfare. Page 2793

Daily Digest: Senate passed without amendment S. J. Res. 89, relative to the distribution of the Daily Digest, printed separately from the Congressional Record. Page 2825

Second War Powers: The conference report on S. 931, extending certain provisions of the Second War Powers Act to June 30, 1947, was submitted by Senator Wiley. It will be printed as Senate Document No. 25. Earlier the Senate had named two additional conferees—Senators Donnell and Magnuson. Page 2820

Resolutions Passed: The Senate passed the following miscellaneous resolutions: S. Res. 100, amending the Senate Rules by striking out reference to former committees and inserting *Committee on Rules and Administration*; S. Res. 93, permitting the Committee on Labor and Public Welfare to print additional reports.

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Reports on Committee Meetings

WOOL PRICE SUPPORT

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Continuing hearings on bills to provide a price-support program for wool (S. 103, S. 814, and S. 917), the committee heard the following three witnesses testify in support of a price-support program: J. B. Wilson, legislative chairman, National Wool Growers Association; J. M. Jones, secretary, National Wool Growers Association; Carl Nadasdy, Cooperative Wool Growers of South Dakota and Minnesota, Minneapolis, Minn. Hearings continue tomorrow.

TREASURY-POST OFFICE APPROPRIATION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Treasury-Post Office Appropriation continued hearings on H. R. 2436, Treasury-Post Office Appropriation Bill for 1948, with the following witnesses testifying: W. R. Johnson, Commissioner, Bureau of Customs, and L. W. Byrne, Chief, Port Promotion Bureau, Port of New York Authority, appeared in behalf of restoring House cuts for their respective departments; James B. Young, vice president, Barber Steamship Lines, Inc., representing Maritime Association of Port of New York and Bureau for Suppression of Theft and Pilferage, Inc., appeared in behalf of the same item; Mrs. Lilly Reed, National Society of Patriotic Women of America; Harry S. Radcliffe, executive secretary, National Council of American Importers, Inc.; Col. Charles I. Stengle, National Federation of Federal Employees; and Stanley Williamson, customs attorney, gave statements in behalf of restoring House-cut funds for the Customs Service. Hearings continue tomorrow.

HOUSING LEGISLATION

Committee on Banking and Currency: The committee concluded hearings on the housing bill, S. 866, and other related measures, S. 287, S. 701, S. 803, and S. 804, after taking opposition testimony from Edward R. Carr, national president of the National Association of Home Builders; Rufus Lusk, of Washington, who testified with Mr. Carr; and C. H. Ellington, chairman of the Federal Legislation Committee of the National Savings and Loan League.

COPPER BILL

Committee on Finance: The committee held open hearings on H. R. 2404, to suspend certain import taxes on copper, and heard the following witnesses: Senator Brien McMahon; former Senator John A. Danaher;

John A. Church, consulting engineer, Washington; Carl H. Burton, secretary, Aluminum Research Institute, Chicago; Oscar E. Kressling, Special Industrial Advisor, U. S. Tariff Commission; Morris Levinson, Executive Director, Office of Metals Reserve; Frank H. Hayes, Director, Division of Metals and Minerals, Civilian Production Administration; James F. Hibben, U. S. Tariff Commission; John Carlock, Treasury Department; Norman Hickman, C. Donald Dallas, and Simon Strauss, all of New York City.

GREEK-TURKISH LOAN

Committee on Foreign Relations: The committee in executive session heard testimony by Lincoln McVeagh, Ambassador to Greece, and Edwin C. Wilson, Ambassador to Turkey, on the general conditions prevailing in Greece and Turkey and the general situation in the Eastern area, in connection with S. 938, to extend assistance to Greece and Turkey. Senator Vandenberg announced that the committee would end public hearings on March 31, and an executive session would be held on April 1, with Undersecretary Acheson and Secretaries Patterson and Forrestal present. Wednesday, April 2, will be spent in executive session writing up the bill and it is expected that on April 3 the bill will be reported to the Senate. It is planned that the Senate will begin debate on the bill (S. 938) on April 7.

BUREAU OF MINES DIRECTOR

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Mines and Mining heard James Boyd testify in behalf of his nomination, to be Director of the Bureau of Mines, and John L. Lewis, president, United Mine Workers, in opposition to it.

The Subcommittee on Territories and Insular Affairs concluded testimony on the nomination of Mariano Villaronga, to be Commissioner of Education for Puerto Rico, after hearing Mr. Villaronga in his own behalf, and various other witnesses.

ARABIAN OIL

Committee to Investigate the National Defense Program: Mr. James A. Moffett testified today that in April 1941 he had presented to President Roosevelt on behalf of the Arabian-American Oil Co. an offer for the sale of petroleum products to the U. S. Government for a period of 5 years, at the rate of \$6 million annually at the following prices: Gasoline at 3½¢ a gallon, petroleum oil at 45¢ a barrel, and Diesel oil at 75¢ a barrel. According to computations, he stated, he had made of figures available to him, the Navy had purchased sufficient quantities at a much higher price in 1945 and following years, so that the profits from the sale of oil to the Navy had been sufficient to return to the Arabian-American Oil Co. all of the capital originally invested by the Standard Oil Co. of California and the Texas Co. in the Arabian-American Oil Co. Hearing continues tomorrow.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Seventeen public bills, H. R. 2838-H. R. 2854; and one private bill, H. R. 2855, were introduced.

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Bills Reported: Bills and resolutions were reported as follows: H. J. Res. 152, marketing of Virginia sun-cured tobacco under Agricultural Adjustment Administration Act of 1938 (H. Rept. 199); H. R. 2849, first deficiency appropriations for 1947 (H. Rept. 200); and two conference reports—S. 931, extending certain powers of the President under title III of the Second War Powers Act (H. Rept. 201); H. J. Res. 146, extending powers and authorities with respect to distribution and pricing of sugar (H. Rept. 202).

Pages 2829, 2842

Sugar Legislation: The House disagreed to Senate amendments on H. J. Res. 146, extending certain powers and authorities with respect to pricing and distribution of sugar, agreed to conference, and appointed Representatives Wolcott, Gamble, Smith of Ohio, Kunkel, Spence, Brown of Georgia, and Patman as conferees.

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Order of Business: On motion by Mr. Halleck, the House dispensed with Private Calendar, in order on Tuesday, April 1, and Calendar Wednesday, business of Wednesday, April 2.

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Reports on Committee Meetings

TOBACCO

Committee on Agriculture: Met to consider H. J. Res. 152 (marketing of Virginia sun-cured tobacco under Agricultural Adjustment Administration Act of 1938) and heard Representative Smith of Virginia. The resolution was ordered favorably reported. Also considered future committee program.

MILITARY

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee No. 9 on Hospitalization met in executive session.

HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: Continued open hearings on H. R. 2549 (housing and rent control) and heard Representatives Javits of New York; and Busbey of Illinois; Carl Strandlund, National Association of Housing Manufacturers; Edward Carr, National Association of Home Builders; Rev. Wallace J. Murphy, Tulsa Rental Property Owners Association; and Mrs. A. Wubig, League of Women Shoppers.

DAYLIGHT SAVING

Committee on the District of Columbia: Met and ordered reported, without amendment, H. R. 2568 (daylight saving time).

SURPLUS PROPERTY DISPOSAL

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Surplus Property Subcommittee met to consider financial reports submitted to Congress by the War Assets Administration reflecting the results of the surplus property disposal, and heard Frank M. Charrette, Acting Director of the Reports Division, WAA; Nicholas H. Cobbs, Deputy Administrator for Fiscal Services, WAA; and Lloyd A. Nelson, Special Advisor to the Deputy Administrator for Fiscal Services, WAA.

GREEK-TURKISH LOAN

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Continued open hearings on H. R. 2616 (assistance to Greece and Turkey) and heard Hon. John L. Sullivan, Under Secretary of the Navy, and Hon. Paul Porter.

NATIONAL AIRPORT

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Met in executive session and ordered H. R. 2758 (Washington National Airport Police bill) reported without amendment.

MONOPOLIES—EMPLOYERS' LIABILITY

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 2 continued hearings on H. R. 515 (amending Clayton Act) and heard Gilbert H. Montague, New York attorney, and the statement of Dr. C. T. Murchison, president, Cotton Textile Institute of New York, presented by Doctor Michael.

Subcommittee No. 4 began hearings on H. R. 242 and H. R. 1639 (amending Employers' Liability Act, limiting venue in actions brought in United States district courts or State courts under such acts), and heard Representative Jennings, of Tennessee; Floyd E. Thompson, Illinois Bar; J. Carter Fort, vice president and general manager of Association of American Railroads; Kohn W. Freels, general attorney, Illinois Central Railroad Co.

Subcommittee on Immigration and Naturalization considered 11 private measures.

POSTAL RATES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Continued open hearings on H. R. 2408 (permanent postal rates) and heard Omar B. Ketchum and John C. Williamson, VFW; Millard W. Rice, DAV; Dr. Joy E. Morgan, Journal of the National Education Association of the

United States; Dr. Clinton N. Howard, editor, Progress; Dr. Lewis Sorrell, National Council on Business Mail; and Thomas Lynch, of George A. Pflaum, Inc.

RECLAMATION—MINERAL RESOURCES

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation continued hearings on H. R. 1886, H. R. 1977, H. R. 1772, and H. R. 2583 (amending Reclamation Project Act) and heard Representative Horan, of Washington, and Charles Cone, of Columbia River Basin.

Subcommittee on Mines and Mining met on H. R. 2455 (to establish Minerals Resources Division within Department of the Interior) and heard Representative Allen, of Illinois; Joseph T. Hall, Callahan Zinc & Lead Co.; John A. Church, Washington, D. C.; Dr. E. R. Shorey, president, Wisconsin, Illinois & Iowa Lead Producers Association.

SUBVERSIVE ACTIVITY

Committee on Un-American Activities: Continued open hearings on H. R. 1884 and H. R. 2122 (outlawing Communist Party) and heard Governor Kim Sigler, of Michigan, and former Governor Earle, of Pennsylvania.

RECIPROCAL TRADE

Committee on Ways and Means: Continued open hearings on reciprocal trade agreements and heard further testimony of Hon. William L. Clayton, Under Secretary of State for Economic Affairs.

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(New Law)

H. J. Res. 154, appropriations for expenses incident to the control and eradication of foot-and-mouth disease and rinderpest. Signed March 27, 1947 (P. L. 22).

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HIGHLIGHTS

House and Senate cleared bills on sugar and Second War Powers for President's signature.

Senate debated Lilienthal nomination; House debated Deficiency Appropriation.

Rent control bill ordered reported to Senate.

House group acted on temperance bill.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 2843-2850.

Bills Introduced: Ten bills and three resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1000-1009, S. J. Res. 94-95, and S. Con. Res. 12. *Pages 2847-2848*

Bills Reported: Bills and resolutions were reported, as follows: S. 723, to authorize the preparation of plans and estimates of cost for an additional Senate Office Building (S. Rept. 82). *Page 2847*

Second War Powers: Conference report was adopted by voice vote on S. 931, extending certain powers under title III of the Second War Powers Act to June 30, 1947; the President later signed the act. *Pages 2856-2858*

Sugar Rationing: Conference Report was agreed to on H. J. Res. 146, providing for the ending of sugar rationing on October 31, 1947; the President later signed the act. *Pages 2862-2863*

Lilienthal Nomination: The Senate continued debate on the nomination of David E. Lilienthal to be Chairman of the Atomic Energy Commission. *Pages 2850-2882*

Foreign Affairs: Several Senators discussed foreign relations and, in particular, the proposal to extend assistance to Greece and Turkey. *Pages 2866-2875*

Nominations: The following nominations were received: Major General Lewis B. Hershey to be Director of the Office of Selective Service Records; Charles L. Spillers of West Virginia to be U. S. attorney for the northern district of West Virginia, Cavendish W. Cannon of Utah to be Ambassador to Yugoslavia, Walter J. Donnelly of the District of Columbia to be Ambassador to Costa Rica, Stanton Griffis of Connecticut to be Ambassador to Poland, Williamson S. Howell, Jr. of Texas to be Ambassador to Uruguay, Albert F. Nufer of New York to be Ambassador to El Salvador, Fletcher Warren of Texas to be Ambassador to Paraguay, John C. Wiley of Indiana to be Ambassador to Portugal. *Page 2882*

Reports on Committee Meetings

WOOL PRICE SUPPORT

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Continuing open hearings on bills to provide for a price-support program for wool (S. 102, S. 814, and S. 917), the committee on Saturday heard N. E. Dodd, Under Secretary of Agriculture, and James A. Hooper, manager, Utah Wool Marketing Association, testify in support of a wool price-support program. Kenneth W. Marriner, the Marriner Co. of Boston; Herbert K. Webb, Philadelphia Wool and Textile Association; and Clinton M. Hester, Washington counsel for the National Wool Trade Association, testified in opposition to S. 103 and S. 814. Joseph F. Lockett, Institute of Carpet Manufacturers of Boston, appeared in opposition to establishment of new wool standards.

Today, Carl H. Wilken, Raw Materials National Council, Sioux City, Iowa, testified on agricultural problems, and Senator Robertson of Wyoming gave a brief statement on the wool situation.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

TREASURY-POST OFFICE APPROPRIATION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Treasury-Post Office Appropriations, considering H. R. 2436, on departmental claims for restoration of cuts made by Treasury-Post Office Appropriation Bill, heard testimony the House, with the following witnesses testifying: George C. Hass, Wesley Lindow, and William M. Weir, Division of Research and Statistics of Internal Revenue; Joseph D. Nunan, Jr., Commissioner of Internal Revenue; W. T. Sherwood, Assistant Commissioner; T. C. Atkeson, Assistant to the Commissioner, J. N. Collum and F. J. Evans, Budget Officers.

On Saturday, the following testified: Luther C. Steward, National Federation of Federal Employees; Edwin G. Klem, port patrol officer of the Port of Baltimore; Joseph C. O'Connell, Jr., General Counsel, Treasury Department; Louis Shere, Division of Tax Research; and Stanley S. Surrey, tax legislation counsel.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

RENTS

Committee on Banking and Currency: In executive session, the full committee received a report on rent control from its Subcommittee on Housing and Rents and ordered favorably reported to the Senate a bill to continue rent control generally until February 29, 1948, including rent control for the District of Columbia (bill has not yet been introduced). Under this bill, the problem of managing rent control would be assigned to the Office of Housing Expediter, and five-member local boards would be set up to administer local rent control.

INTERNATIONAL TRADE

Committee on Finance: Hearings on the relationship of the Reciprocal Trade Agreements to the proposed International Trade Organization Charter were continued with Robert P. Terrill, Associate Chief, Resources Division, Office of International Trade Policy, State Department, testifying.

On Saturday, Dr. Clair Wilcox, State Department, met again with the committee.

GREEK-TURKISH LOAN

Committee on Foreign Relations: Hearings were concluded by the committee on S. 938, to extend assistance to Greece and Turkey. The following witnesses testified: Alex Karankas, American Council for a Democratic Greece; George Pirinsky, National Committee Macedonian-American Peoples League; Russell Smith, National Farmers Union; Frank Kingdon, Progressive Citizens of America; Lawrence Mallory of Philadelphia; Col. Douglas H. Gillette, former head of the Greek Transportation Commission; Costa G. Couvaras, American Relief for Greek Democracy; Nathan H. Brodsky, National Zionist Council of Essex County, N. J.; Rutherford Sharpe, Lebanon, Pa.; William T. Thom III, Society of Friends. Executive sessions on the bill start tomorrow.

MARSHAL APPOINTMENT

Committee on the Judiciary: The nomination of Richard C. O'Connell to be U. S. marshal in Maryland was ordered favorably reported.

CONSTRUCTION OF DAM

Committee on Public Works: A subcommittee considered S. 64, to grant permission to construct a dam across the Dan River in North Carolina. A favorable report to the full committee was ordered.

INTER-AMERICAN HIGHWAY

Special Committee to Investigate the National Defense Program: The committee heard testimony from Thomas McDonald, Commissioner of the Public Roads Administration, and also from Mr. E. W. James, Chief of the Inter-American Section of the Administration. Testimony involved various aspects of the Inter-American Highway, including expenditures in construction of the highway and reasons for its costs exceeding the estimates. Additional findings are expected to be reported within approximately two weeks.

Committee adjourned to an indefinite date.

ARABIAN OIL

Special Committee to Investigate the National Defense Program: At the meeting on Saturday, March 29, further testimony was heard from James A. Moffett regarding the sale of Arabian oil to the Navy. Chairman Brewster announced the appointment of former Senator Burton K. Wheeler to investigate and make a report on this case.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Twenty-four public bills, H. R. 2856-H. R. 2879; twenty private bills, H. R. 2880-H. R. 2899; and three resolutions, H. J. Res. 162, and H. Res. 165 and 166, were introduced.

Pages 2931-2932

Bills Reported: Bills and resolutions were reported, as follows: H. R. 1375, amending Pay Readjustment Act of 1942, providing clothing allowances for enlisted men of the Marine Corps and Marine Corps Reserve (H. Rept. 203); H. R. 2331, amending Interstate Commerce Act, as regards security negotiations by officers of the Commission (H. Rept. 204); H. R. 2336, amending Communications Act of 1934, regarding permission of Coast Guard stations for reception and transmission of commercial messages (H. Rept. 205); H. R. 2758, to establish police authority at Washington National Airport (H. Rept. 206); H. R. 2568, to establish daylight saving time in District of Columbia for 1947 (H. Rept. 207); H. R. 2759, amending Interstate Commerce Act to provide time limitations within which recovery actions of law may be brought by or against various common carriers (H. Rept. 208).

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Bills Referred: The following Senate-passed resolution, S. J. Res. 89, was referred to the Committee on House Administration. (For passage in Senate, see Digest, p. D57.)

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Boy Scouts: House passed, with a committee amendment, H. R. 1621, furnishing War Department equipment and other Government services to the Boy Scouts of America, in connection with the World Jamboree to be held in France in 1947.

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Deficiency Appropriations: The House debated for three hours H. R. 2849, first deficiency appropriation bill for fiscal year ending June 30, 1947, totaling \$2,471,498, 548.

Pages 2901-2903, 2916-2928

Second War Powers Act: House agreed to the conference report on S. 931, extending powers of the President under title III of the Second War Powers Act until June 30, 1947.

Pages 2903-2916

Sugar Legislation: House agreed to the conference report on H. J. Res. 146, distribution and pricing of sugar.

Pages 2890-2897

Commissioner Appointment: The Speaker, on receipt of Representative Fallon's resignation, announced appointment of Representative Beall to fill vacancy on the Washington-Lincoln Memorial-Gettysburg Boulevard Commission.

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Reports on Committee Meetings

EMPLOYERS' LIABILITY UNDER DRAFT ACT

Committee on Armed Services: Met on H. R. 1110 (employers' liability under Selective Service Act) and heard Col. Paul Renfrow in support of the measure.

HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: Met in executive session on H. R. 2549 (housing and rent control).

JUVENILES—TEMPERANCE

Committee on the District of Columbia: Subcommittee on Health, Education, and Recreation met on H. R. 498 and H. R. 499 (correctional institutions for juveniles) and heard Commissioner Guy Mason; Vernon West, Corporation Council; and Ray Huff, Superintendent of Public Welfare.

In executive session the subcommittee ordered H. R. 2620 (alcoholism clinic) reported to full committee.

GREEK-TURKISH LOAN

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Continued hearings on H. R. 2616 (assistance to Greece and Turkey) and heard Representative Crawford, of Michigan, and former Representative Hamilton Fish.

HOUSE ADMINISTRATION

Committee on House Administration: Subcommittee on Accounts met in executive session.

AIR ACCIDENTS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Resumed public hearing on air-accident investigation and heard Rear Admiral E. H. Smith, Commander, 3d Coast Guard District, New York, N. Y.; Captain A. C. Richmond, Chief, Planning and Control Staff, Coast Guard Headquarters, Washington, D. C.; Lloyd Childs, Assistant to Administrator for Personal Flying Development, Civil Aeronautics Administration, Washington, D. C.; Leo A. Smith, acting secretary, Caterpillar Club, Trenton, N. J.; Albert T. Stretch, Jr., Switlik Parachute Co., Inc., Trenton, N. J.; and H. G. Rogers, vice president in charge of sales, Irving Parachute Co., Buffalo, N. Y.

CODE REVISION—JUDGESHIP

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 1 held executive session to discuss measures providing for the revision of the U. S. Code.

Subcommittee No. 3 held hearings on H. R. 1436 (repealing prohibition against filling vacancy in office of district judge for southern district of New York); H. R.

1054 (making permanent judgeship for the eastern and western districts of Missouri); and H. R. 2240 and H. R. 2243 (repealing prohibition against the filling of a vacancy in office of the district judge for the northern and southern districts of Florida), and heard Representatives Celler, of New York, Smathers, of Florida and Reeves, of Missouri; Judge John C. Knox, Southern District of New York; Simone N. Gazan, Federal Bar Association of New York, New Jersey, and Connecticut; Harold Harper, New York County Lawyers' Association; Edwin A. Falk, Association of the Bar of the City of New York; E. J. Dimock, New York State Bar Association; and Henry P. Chandler, Director of the Administrative Office of the U. S. Courts.

POSTAL RATES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Continued open hearings on H. R. 2408 (permanent postal rates) and heard Millard W. Rice, Disabled American Veterans; John J. Crawley, of William H. Wise & Co., Inc.; Howard Ehrlick, McGraw-Hill Publishing Co., New York, N. Y.; Dr. Clinton N. Howard, Progress Publications of the International Reform Federation; and Clyde T. Ellis, National Rural Electric Cooperative Association.

ALASKA HOMESTEADING

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Public Lands met on H. R. 868 and H. R. 1548 (homesteading in Alaska by war veterans) and heard John R. Scott,

Assistant Legislative Director, VFW, and Gilpin S. Sessions, Ketchikan, Alaska.

REPORT ON JOINT COMMITTEE MEETINGS ECONOMISTS APPOINTED

Joint Committee on the Economic Report: At an executive meeting of the committee it was decided to employ two economists—Charles O. Hardy and Fred E. Berquist.

BILLS SIGNED BY THE PRESIDENT

(New Laws)

S. J. Res. 27, amending the Settlement of Claims Act of 1942. Signed March 28, 1947 (P. L. 23).

H. J. Res. 118, to strengthen the common defense by maintaining an adequate domestic rubber-producing industry. Signed March 29, 1947 (P. L. 24).

H. J. Res. 159, appropriating \$243,255,607 to supply certain deficiencies for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1947. Signed March 29, 1947 (P. L. 25).

S. 918, to establish an Office of Selective Service Records. Signed March 31, 1947 (P. L. 26).

H. J. Res. 76, to authorize the Commandant of the Coast Guard to waive compliance with navigation and vessel-inspection laws. Signed March 31, 1947 (P. L. 27).

H. R. 1240, suspension of navigation and vessel-inspection laws as applied to vessels of the War Department. Signed March 31, 1947 (P. L. 28).

Tuesday, April 1, 1947

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate debated Lillenthal nomination; House passed first deficiency appropriation bill for 1947.

Speaker appointed members to Small Business group.

Bills on Wool Price Support and Dan River ordered reported to Senate.

Bills on veterans' homesteads, U. S. Code, espionage, and private claims ordered reported to House.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 2933-2937.

Bills Introduced: Eleven bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 1010-S. 1020 and S. Res. 101.

Pages 2935, 2951-2952

Bills Referred: The following House-passed bill was referred to committee: H. R. 1621. (For passage in House see Digest, p. D62.)

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Housing: Pursuant to P. L. 548 of the 79th Congress, the Senate and House received a message from the President stating that "the Nation is still faced with a

critical housing shortage." He offered no objection to the administration of rent controls by the Housing Expediter.

Pages 2944, 2992-2993

Lilienthal Nomination: The Senate continued debate on the nomination of David E. Lilienthal to be Chairman of the Atomic Energy Commission. Pages 2937-2967

Nomination: Received nomination of Colonel Samuel N. Karrick for appointment as a member of the California Debris Commission.

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Reports on Committee Meetings

WOOL PRICE SUPPORT

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: By a vote of 7 to 1, the committee voted to report S. 814, to provide price support for wool, with amendments. The amendments proposed by the committee to the bill would provide for the disposition of the wool stock pile owned by the Government in an orderly manner to prevent disruption of the domestic market; would remove the provision for the continuation of the Commodity Credit Corporation as an agency of the United States; and delete the section making available \$130,000,000 of the capital of the Commodity Credit Corporation for the purpose of the support of wool prices.

Earlier the committee heard Edward M. Shulman, Solicitor's Office, Department of Agriculture, and Harry E. Reed, Director of the Livestock Branch of the Production and Marketing Administration of the Department.

TREASURY-POST OFFICE APPROPRIATION

Committee on Appropriations: The subcommittee continued hearings on H. R. 2436, Treasury-Post Office Appropriation Bill, and received testimony from Joseph D. Nunan, Jr., Commissioner of Internal Revenue; W. A. Sutherland, Robert N. Miller, and H. C. Kilpatrick, tax attorneys; Paul W. Smith and Harry J. Wright, both of the Tax Executives Institute.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

NATIONAL DEFENSE ESTABLISHMENT

Committee on Armed Services: Vice Admiral Forrest Sherman told the committee that he believes S. 758, to create a National Defense Establishment, is an equitable compromise of the initially divergent views regarding unification; that economics would eventually result from the legislation; that the greatest immediate benefits would be the unity of military concepts, the unity of purpose, and the unity of effort that should be achieved.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

POST OFFICE DEPARTMENT DEFICIT

Committee on Civil Service: Hearings were continued on S. Res. 43, to investigate how to reduce Post Office De-

partment deficit by revision of postal rates. Russell Reynolds, National Association of College Stores, asked that present postal rates and proposed rates caused books to carry more of the total cost load than do magazines and newspapers; Richard F. Mitchell, Interstate Commerce Commission, stated that the Commission has before it a request from rail carriers for an approximate \$56,000,000 increase in mail-carrying charges; John O'Connor, National Postal Committee for Books, presented numerous charts portraying the book trade picture; Thomas Lynch of George A. Pflaum, Publisher Inc., testified on classroom periodicals; Paul W. Barnett, Row Peterson & Co., indicated that his group would be willing to assist in lightening the postal deficit. Gilbert E. Goodkind, American Booksellers Association, produced a chart which he said reflected retail outlet profits and showing that books are 49 in a list of 50.

These hearings continue April 8.

SURPLUS PROPERTY

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Surplus Property Subcommittee heard Harold Wright and George F. Hughes, of the Harold H. Wright Co., Detroit, on the sale of surplus machine tools at Lockland, Ohio.

Additional hearings for this subcommittee are scheduled for April 8.

Committee on Finance: Hearings were continued on the relationship of the Reciprocal Trade Agreements to the proposed International Trade Organization Charter with Robert P. Terrill, Associate Chief, Resources Division, Office of International Trade Policy, State Department, testifying. Leroy Steinbower, State Department, also was a witness.

GREEK-TURKISH LOAN

Committee on Foreign Relations: In executive session the committee considered S. 938, to provide assistance to Greece and Turkey, and heard Under Secretary of State Acheson and Paul Porter, Special Presidential Representative to Greece. In an afternoon session the committee considered the amendments proposed to the bill by Senators Pepper, Ball, Johnson of Colorado, and Murray.

INDIAN CLAIMS

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee ordered reported to the full committee S. 405, to repeal the Indian Claims Commission Act.

COURT SPACE

Committee on Public Works: Indefinite postponement of S. 451, to provide space for the District Court in the Capitol Park Hotel, was voted by the committee. A proposal to grant permission for the construction of the dam across the Dan River in North Carolina (S. 64) was ordered reported to the Senate.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Thirteen public bills, H. R. 2900-H. R. 2912; ten private bills, H. R. 2913-H. R. 2922; and five resolutions, H. J. Res. 163, H. Con. Res. 39, and H. Res. 167-169, were introduced. Pages 2998-2999

Bills Reported: Bills and resolutions were reported as follows: Printing pamphlet entitled "Communist Party of United States as Agent of Foreign Power" (H. Rept. 209); H. Res. 167, authorizing Sergeant at Arms in the House to insure funds of his office (H. Rept. 210); H. R. 2339, amending act authorizing designations of Army mail clerks and assistant mail clerks (H. Rept. 211); H. R. 603, amending act of September 27, 1944, allowing credit for certain homestead entries for members of armed forces of World War II (H. Rept. 212); H. R. 1099, Government authority to hold certain lands in trust for Minnesota Chippewa Tribe (H. Rept. 213); H. R. 1584, establishing memorial museum on Fort Hall Reservation, Idaho (H. Rept. 214); and private bills H. R. 341, H. R. 437, H. R. 559, H. R. 704, H. R. 925, H. R. 1093, H. R. 1221, H. R. 1482, H. R. 1509, H. R. 1510, H. R. 1514, H. R. 1791, H. R. 2389 (Repts. Nos. 215-227, incl.). Page 2998

Insurance Authorization: The House passed H. Res. 167, granting authority to the Sergeant at Arms of the House to insure the funds of his office. Page 2971

Deficiency Appropriations: The House considered H. R. 2849, first major deficiency bill for fiscal year 1947; adopted by teller votes, two controversial amendments involving the school-lunch program and payment of salary claims of three former Government employees whose claims were sustained by a decision of the Supreme Court; adopted several minor committee amendments; and passed the bill by voice vote. Pages 2971-2992

Small Business: The Speaker today appointed the following Members to the Select Committee on Problems of Small Business: Messrs. Ploeser, chairman, Stevenson, Howell, Hill, Riehlman, Patman, Keogh, Jackson of Washington, and Kefauver. Page 2998

Reports on Committee Meetings

NAVAL PROMOTION

Committee on Armed Services: Personnel Subcommittee held hearings on H. R. 2537 (Navy promotion bill) and heard Rear Admiral Thomas L. Sprague and Commander David L. Martineau, who testified in support of the measure.

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HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: Met in executive session on H. R. 2549 (housing and rent control).

LABOR

Committee on Education and Labor: Met in executive session on the Emergency Labor Disputes Bill.

SURPLUS

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Surplus Property Subcommittee held public hearings on H. R. 1627 (to require the Army to declare the major portion of Camp Stewart, Ga., surplus) and heard Maj. Gen. William D. Old, War Department; Representative Preston of Georgia; Delegates from the Chamber of Commerce of Liberty County, Ga., who opposed the bill; and interested citizens and former landowners in the Camp Stewart area who were presented by Representative Preston.

WAR RELIEF

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Met in executive session and approved wording of report on H. J. Res. 153 (relief to countries devastated by war).

INSURANCE

Committee on House Administration: Met in executive session and ordered reported H. Res. 167 (authorizing the Sergeant at Arms of the House of Representatives to protect the funds of his office by purchasing insurance, in the amount of \$50,000, providing protection against loss with respect to such funds).

AIR ACCIDENTS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Continued public hearings on air accident investigation and heard Col. Edwin L. White, Chief, Aviation Division, Engineering Department, FCC, Washington, D. C.; and Lawrence LePage, consulting engineer, Philadelphia, Pa.

PRIVATE CLAIMS—CODE REVISION

Committee on the Judiciary: Met in executive session and ordered favorably reported to the House H. R. 1565, H. R. 1566, H. R. 1567, H. R. 2083, and H. R. 2084 (revising the U. S. Code); also H. R. 1465 (to relieve collectors of customs liability in certain cases); H. R. 1467 (to amend the Espionage Act and the Alien Registration Act) and thirteen private claims bills.

Subcommittee No. 4 met on H. R. 1639 (to amend the Employers' Liability Act) and heard Judge Sloan of Cumberland, Md.

POSTAL RATES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Continued public hearings on H. R. 2408 (permanent postal rates) and heard S. N. Bradley, Whaling Distributing Corp., New York, N. Y.; Charles H. Heiss, former comptroller for the American Telephone & Telegraph Co., and lecturer at Harvard University in accounting and finance; and James R. Brackett, Printing Industry of America, Inc., Washington, D. C.

LANDS—MEMORIAL MUSEUM

Committee on Public Lands: Met to consider bills reported from subcommittees and ordered favorably reported to the House H. R. 603 (amending homestead laws), H. R. 1099 (lands held in trust for Chippewa Tribe in Minnesota), and H. R. 1584 (to authorize memorial museum, Fort Hall Reservation, Idaho).

REPORT ON JOINT COMMITTEE MEETINGS

D. C. TAXES

Joint Meeting of Fiscal Subcommittees of the House and Senate District of Columbia Committees: The committees heard 13 witnesses representing various District of Columbia civic and business associations.

Hearings continue tomorrow when the District of Columbia commissioners will testify in favor of the proposed tax bills.

BILLS SIGNED BY THE PRESIDENT

(New Laws)

S. 931, to extend certain provisions of the Second War Powers Act to June 30, 1947. Signed March 31, 1947 (P. L. 29).

H. J. Res. 146, to continue sugar rationing until October 31, 1947. Signed March 31, 1947 (P. L. 30).

Résumé of Congressional Activity

The following tables on nominations and legislative activity will be run in the DAILY DIGEST monthly, as soon as possible after the end of each month.

The first table accounts for all nominations submitted to the Senate by the President for Senate confirmation, a total of 14,659 having been received, of which 12,837 have been confirmed, as set forth below.

The second table gives a comprehensive résumé of all legislative business transacted by the House and Senate during this session, January 3, 1947, through March 31, 1947.

DISPOSITION OF EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS
THROUGH MAR. 31, 1947

Post Office nominations, totaling 639 disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	None
Withdrawn	6
Rejected	None
Unconfirmed	633
Army nominations, totaling 5,000 disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	4,174
Withdrawn	None
Rejected	None
Unconfirmed	826
Navy nominations, totaling 8,034, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	7,752
Withdrawn	None
Rejected	None
Unconfirmed	282
Marine Corps nominations, totaling 555, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	555
Withdrawn	None
Rejected	None
Unconfirmed	None

Civilian nominations other than postmasters, totaling 431, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	356
Withdrawn	3
Rejected	None
Unconfirmed	72

Summary

Total nominations received	14,659
Total rejected	None
Total withdrawn	9
Total unconfirmed	1,813
Total confirmed	12,837

DATA ON LEGISLATIVE ACTIVITY

January 3 through March 31

	Senate	House	Total
Days in session	43	47	..
Time in session	202 hrs., 11'	163 hrs., 34'	..
Average length of each day's session	4.7 hrs.	3.5 hrs.	..
Congressional Record:			
Pages of proceedings	1,612	1,409	3,021
Appendix	..	..	1,472
Bills enacted into law	14	16	30
Bills awaiting President's signature	..	..	..
Bills in conference	..	..	4
Bills through conference	..	..	4
Measures passed, total	106	164	..
Senate bills	26	8	..
House bills	8	59	..
Senate joint resolutions	11	6	..
House joint resolutions	10	15	..
Senate concurrent resolutions	1	1	..
House concurrent resolutions	4	4	..
Simple resolutions	46	71	117

DATA ON LEGISLATIVE ACTIVITY—Con.

	Senate	House	Total
Measures reported, total	*131	208	..
Senate bills	44	12	..
House bills	12	99	..
Senate joint resolutions	*12	3	..
House joint resolutions	*10	21	..
Senate concurrent resolutions	*2	2	..
House concurrent resolutions	*4	6	..
Simple resolutions	*47	41	88
Special reports	7	20	..
Conference reports	..	..	4

	Senate	House	Total
Reported measures not acted on	23	62	..
Bills defeated	0	1	..
Measures introduced, total	1,216	3,265	4,481
Bills	1,009	2,899	3,908
Joint resolutions	95	162	257
Concurrent resolutions	12	38	50
Simple resolutions	100	166	266
Quorum calls	82	6	88
Roll call votes	34	24	58

* This figure includes all measures placed on calendar or acted on by Senate even if there were no accompanying report. A total of 82 reports has been filed in the Senate.

Wednesday, April 2, 1947

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate continued debate on Lilienthal nomination and agreed to vote on recommittal tomorrow; House passed seven minor expenditure-authorisation resolutions.

Proposal to amend cloture rule and veterans' insurance bill approved by Senate committees.

Emergency labor dispute bill reported to House.

Hearings begun in House on National Security Act of 1947.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 3000-3011, 3037-3043.

Bills Introduced: Seventeen bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1021-S. 1037, S. J. Res. 96, S. Con Res. 13. *Pages 3004-3005*

Bills Reported: Bills were reported, as follows: S. 64, granting consent for the construction of a dam in North Carolina (S. Rept. 83); H. R. 1327, providing for the renewal of 5-year term Government insurance (S. Rept. 84); S. 814, to provide for support for wool prices (S. Rept. 85); additional report from the Joint Committee on the Reduction of Non-Essential Federal Expenditures (no number). *Pages 3001-3004*

Bill Referred: The following House-passed bill was referred to committee: H. R. 2849. (For passage in House, see Digest, p. D65.) *Page 3005*

Lilienthal Nomination: Debate continued on the nomination of David E. Lilienthal to be Chairman of the Atomic Energy Commission. Senator Hickenlooper asked and received unanimous consent that the Senate vote not later than 5 p. m., Thursday, April 3, on the motion of Senator Bricker to recommit the nominations, with instructions, to the Senate members of the

Joint Atomic Energy Committee, and if the motion is rejected, to recess immediately until 12 noon, Monday, April 7. *Pages 3011-3070*

Confirmations: Maj. Gen. Lewis B. Hershey was confirmed as Director of the Office of Selective Service Records and Richard C. O'Connell as U. S. Marshal in Maryland. *Page 3010*

Nominations: The following nominations were received: John F. Simmons, of New York, to be Ambassador to Ecuador; Paul H. Alling, of Connecticut, to be Minister to Syria; and Selden Chapin, of the District of Columbia, to be Minister to Hungary. The nomination sent to the Senate on January 10 of Carl E. Lindsay to be postmaster of Souris, N. Dak., was withdrawn. *Page 3070*

Reports on Committee Meetings

TREASURY-POST OFFICE APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Hearings on H. R. 2436, Treasury-Post Office Appropriations, were continued by the subcommittee with the following witnesses appearing: William R. Johnson, Commissioner, Bureau of Customs; Charles L. Stengle, American Federation of Government Employees; Garrison Norton, Assistant

Secretary of State; Rear Admiral R. F. Good, Navy Director of Fleet Operations; Brig. Gen. F. L. Aukerbrandt; F. W. Reichelderfer, Chief, U. S. Weather Bureau; Charles I. Stanton, Deputy Administrator CAA; Admiral E. S. Land, president Air Transport Association; Admiral J. F. Farley, Coast Guard Commandant; Capt. A. C. Richmond, Chief of the Coast Guard Planning and Control Staff.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

NATIONAL DEFENSE ESTABLISHMENT

Committee on Armed Services: Vice Admiral Forrest Sherman continued his testimony in connection with the consideration of S. 758, National Defense Establishment.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

RETIREMENT BILL

Committee on Civil Service: The committee held an executive session on S. 637, retirement bill, but made no announcement of its progress. (For details on bill as ordered reported on March 25, see Digest, p. D47.)

CUSTOMS PERSONNEL

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: W. R. Johnson, Commissioner of Customs, appeared before the committee and attempted to show the size of the deficit which would be incurred in 1948 by the Customs Bureau and the steps which he had taken to meet the cut in expenditures. D. B. Strubinger, Customs Budget Officer, also testified.

The regular monthly meeting of the committee will be held tomorrow.

COPPER TAXES AND INTERNATIONAL TRADE

Committee on Finance: In an executive session the committee ordered favorably reported to the Senate H. R. 1327, to extend for an additional 5-year period the 5-year term Government insurance policies for veterans

(see bills reported in Senate chamber). Committee also considered H. R. 2404, taxes on copper, and will give additional consideration to the bill next week. A motion by Senator Johnson of Colorado to set the effective date of the bill as April 30, 1948, failed to carry on a tie vote. In an afternoon session the committee heard Oscar B. Ryder, Chairman of the U. S. Tariff Commission, on proposed International Trade Organization Charter.

GREEK-TURKISH LOAN

Committee on Foreign Relations: Under Secretary of State Dean Acheson and Brigadier General Lincoln of the War Department, appeared before the committee in executive session in connection with S. 938, to provide assistance to Greece and Turkey.

Tomorrow it is expected that the bill will be reported to the Senate.

ANTI-MONOPOLY BILL

Committee on the Judiciary: Testimony on S. 104, anti-monopoly bill, was received by the subcommittee from Senator O'Mahoney and William T. Kelley, General Counsel of the Federal Trade Commission.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

SENATE CLOTURE RULE

Committee on Rules and Administration: By unanimous vote the committee agreed to report with amendments S. Res. 25, to amend the cloture rule as it applies to rule III and VI or any other rules of the Senate. As ordered reported, the resolution would extend the application of the cloture rule (Rule XXII) to the standing rules of the Senate including the subjects of amending the journal and disposition of credentials of a new Senator "or any other rule of the Senate." It would make no change in the required two-third vote to invoke the cloture rule, nor would it make any change in the limitation of debate after cloture has been invoked.

Salary Payment: The House passed, with an amendment, H. Res. 154, authorizing payment of 6 months' salary and funeral expenses to the estate of the late Marshall W. Pickering. Page 3073

Clerk Employment: The House passed, without amendment, H. Res. 113, authorizing employment of a clerk to the Majority and Minority Whips, respectively. Page 3073

Veterans: The House passed, without amendment, H. Res. 136, authorizing expenditure, not to exceed \$25,000, to conduct inspection to determine efficiency of administration and operation of Veterans' Administration installations. Page 3073

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Bills Introduced: Sixteen public bills, H. R. 2923-H. R. 2938; seven private bills, H. R. 2939-H. R. 2945; and four resolutions, H. Res. 170-H. Res. 173, were introduced. Page 3081

Bills Reported: Bills and resolutions were reported as follows: H. Res. 154 (Rept. No. 228); H. Res. 113 (Rept. No. 229); H. Res. 136 (Rept. No. 230); H. Res. 151 (Rept. No. 231); H. Res. 152 (Rept. No. 232); H. Res. 135 (Rept. No. 233); H. Res. 170 (Rept. No. 234); H. R. 2861 (Rept. No. 235). Detailed accounts of these bills appear in the following legislative summary. Page 3080

Executive Agencies: The House passed without amendment, H. Res. 151, authorizing expenditure, not to exceed \$50,000, to conduct studies and examinations of the organization and operation of any executive agency by the Committee on Appropriations of the House. Page 3074

Subversive Activities: The House passed with amendments, H. Res. 152, authorizing further expenditure, not to exceed \$50,000, incurred by the Committee on Un-American Activities for investigation of character, objects, and diffusion of un-American propaganda within the United States. Page 3074

Government Agencies: The House passed, with amendments, H. Res. 135, authorizing expenditure, not to exceed \$40,000, to conduct investigation into actions, regulations, etc., promulgated by agencies of the Federal Government. Page 3074

Surplus Property: The House passed, without amendment, H. Res. 170, amending H. Res. 100, authorizing expenditure, not to exceed \$50,000, to conduct studies and investigations with respect to the disposition of surplus property. Page 3074

Labor Disputes: Committee on Education and Labor was granted permission until midnight, April 2, to file a report on H. R. 2861, a bill designed to prevent cessation of essential public services, in interstate or foreign commerce, as a result of certain labor disputes. Page 3080

Orders of Business: On motion of Mr. Halleck, by unanimous consent, the House ordered that notwithstanding adjournments of the House from April 3 to April 9, the Clerk be authorized to receive messages from the Senate and the Speaker be authorized to sign enrolled bills.

Also, on motion of Mr. Halleck, by unanimous consent, the House ordered that business in order for consideration on Monday, April 7, the Consent Calendar, be in order for consideration Wednesday, April 9, and the Private Calendar be in order for consideration on Thursday, April 10. Page 3074

Designation of Speaker pro tempore: The Speaker designated Mr. Halleck to be Speaker pro tempore, on April 3 and April 7, during his absence. Page 3074

Reports on Committee Meetings

NAVAL PROMOTION

Committee on Armed Services: Personnel Subcommittee continued public hearings on H. R. 2537 (Navy promotion bill) and heard further testimony of Rear Adm. Thomas L. Sprague and Commander David L. Martineau.

HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: Met in executive session on H. R. 2549 (housing and rent control). Com-

mittee took no action but agreed to meet again April 16 to further consider the bill.

LABOR DISPUTES

Committee on Education and Labor: Met and reported with amendments, H. R. 2861 (Hartley bill, designed to prevent cessation of essential public services in interstate or foreign commerce as a result of certain labor disputes).

ARMED SERVICES

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Held open hearing on H. R. 2319 (National Security Act of 1947) and heard Secretary of War Patterson.

EXPENDITURE AUTHORIZATIONS

Committee on House Administration: In the executive meeting of April 1, the following resolutions were ordered favorably reported: H. Res. 113, H. Res. 135, H. Res. 136, H. Res. 151, H. Res. 152, H. Res. 154, and H. Res. 170. (For detailed account of these resolutions, see legislative summary in House Chamber Action. The regular meeting, scheduled for April 9, has been postponed indefinitely.

AIR ACCIDENTS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Continued public hearings on air-accident investigation and heard Loren F. Jones, manager, Research and Development Projects, Radio Corporation of America, Camden, N. J.; V. J. Burnelli, vice president, Central Aircraft Corporation, New York City; Robert Ayer, assistant director, flight engineering, American Airlines, New York City; Samuel P. Saint, American Airlines, New York City. Members of Senate Interstate and Foreign Commerce Committee were also present. At the conclusion of open hearings, the committee met in executive session.

PATENTS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Claims met in executive session and considered fourteen private claims bills.

Subcommittee on Patents, Trade-Marks, and Copyrights held hearings on H. R. 65, H. R. 124, H. R. 1107, and H. R. 1984 (providing for time extensions of patents) and heard Representatives O'Hara of Minnesota, Rich of Pennsylvania, and Grant of Indiana; Francis K. Stevens, American Patent Law Association; Harry H. Hitzeman, patent lawyer, Chicago, Ill.; P. J. Federico, U. S. Patent Office; Col. George W. Gardes, Office of the Judge Advocate General, War Department; Robert S. Pasley, Office of the Counsel for Naval Research, Navy Department; Samuel C. Miller, Tube Light Engineering Co., New York City; Hon. Fritz G. Lanham, former Representative from Texas.

POSTAL RATES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Continued open hearings on H. R. 2408 (permanent postal rates) and heard Hon. Jesse M. Donaldson, Nelson B. Wentzel, Frank J. Delaney, and Alfred H. Black, officials from the Post Office Department.

IRRIGATION AND RECLAMATION

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation met on H. R. 2873 (to amend Reclamation Project Act) and H. R. 2874 (to amend Federal reclamation laws) and heard the testimony of Clifford Stone, of Colorado, and officials of the Bureau of Reclamation.

REPORTS ON JOINT COMMITTEE MEETINGS

D. C. TAXES

Joint Meeting of Fiscal Subcommittee of the House and Senate District of Columbia Committees: Commissioner John Russell Young and other District officials appeared before a joint meeting of the subcommittee to discuss various tax proposals (S. 480, water bill; S. 839 and H. R. 2282, income tax; S. 840 and H. R. 2283, gasoline tax; and S. 841 and H. R. 2284, liquor tax). Hearings continue tomorrow.

PORTAL-TO-PORTAL PAY

Conferees met on H. R. 2157, portal-to-portal pay bill, but failed to reach an agreement. A second meeting is scheduled for tomorrow.

Thursday, April 3, 1947

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate defeated motion to recommit Atomic Energy Commission nominations; House held routine session.

Greek-Turkish loan proposal reported to Senate.

Measures on fiscal officers and office of Register of Land approved by Senate group

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 3082-3085.

Bills Introduced: Nineteen bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1038-1056, and S. J. Res. 97-98. Page 3083

Bills Reported: Bills and resolutions were reported, as follows: S. 1017, providing for the continuation of rent control (S. Rept. 86); S. Res. 25 resolution amending Rule XXII relating to Cloture (S. Rept. 87); H. R. 1621, to authorize the Secretary of War to lend equipment and provide services to the Boy Scouts of America in connection with a World Jamboree (S. Rept. 88); S. 1005, authorizing \$30,000 for U. S. participation in the Inter-Parliamentary Union (S. Rept. 89); and S. 938, to provide assistance to Greece and Turkey (S. Rept. 90). Pages 3083, 3116

Bills Passed: Senate passed the following measures: S. J. Res. 97, to permit the employment of former Senator Burton K. Wheeler by the Special Committee Investigating the National Defense Program; and S. Res. 96, providing compensation for widow of deceased Senate employee. Pages 3082-3083

Lilienthal Nomination: Continuing debate on the nomination of David E. Lilienthal to be Chairman of the Atomic Energy Commission, the Senate, by a vote of 38 yeas to 52 nays, defeated the motion by Senator Bricker to recommit with instructions the nomination and other Commission nominations to the Senate section of the Joint Atomic Energy Committee. Pages 3081-3116

Nominations: The nominations of Willard L. Beaulac, of Rhode Island, to be Ambassador to Colombia, and Paul C. Daniels, of New York, to be Ambassador to Honduras, were received. Page 3117

Reports on Committee Meetings

TREASURY-POST OFFICE APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Hearings continued before subcommittee on H. R. 2436, Treasury-Post Office Appropriation, and testimony was received from the following witnesses: H. J. Anslinger, Bureau of Narcotics; Admiral J. F. Farley, Coast Guard Commandant; Capt. A. C. Richmond, Planning and Control Staff of the Coast Guard; John M. Dickerman, Air Pilots Association; S. H. Miller, Pan-American Airways; W. C.

Howard, TWA, Inc.; and Brant W. Phillips, American Overseas Airlines, Inc. The testimony from the air lines representatives was in regard to the ocean weather stations operated by the Coast Guard.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

NATIONAL DEFENSE ESTABLISHMENT

Committee on Armed Services: Maj. Gen. Lauris Norstad, War Department, Director of Plans and Operations, testified on S. 758, National Defense Establishment. He testified that the bill if enacted into law would accomplish the following objectives: "(1) Provide a means for the integration of military policies with foreign and domestic policy; (2) provide for a military establishment with a single civilian head; and (3) recognize the fact that our fighting forces comprise a team of three co-equal members—the Army, Navy, and Air Force."

GOVERNMENT CAFETERIAS

Committee on Civil Service: Testimony was received by the committee from John W. Wood, General Accounting Office attorney, who developed the point that a number and varying amounts were cited in Government Services, Inc., records as the sum paid as investment for corporation reserves. This testimony was given before a subcommittee considering cafeterias on Government reservations (S. Res. 42).

FISCAL OFFICERS AND REGISTER OF LAND

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: The committee approved without amendment, S. 987, regarding regional disbursing officers of the Treasury. It also approved with amendments S. 273, to limit the time the General Accounting Office may take to make final settlement of the accounts of fiscal officers. The bill S. 28, to reestablish the offices of Register of Land, was ordered reported without recommendation.

INTERNATIONAL TRADE CHARTER

Committee on Finance: Harry D. White, Executive Director of the International Monetary Fund, testified before the committee in connection with the proposed International Trade Organization Charter.

GREEK-TURKISH LOAN

Committee on Foreign Relations: By unanimous vote the committee ordered favorably reported S. 938, to extend assistance to Greece and Turkey. The committee adopted an amendment by Senator Vandenberg which would permit the President to end any aid extended to the two countries if requested to do so by the Governments of Greece or Turkey; if the Security Council or the General Assembly of the United Nations advises that assistance being furnished by United Nations makes such action of the United States unnecessary; and, finally, if the President determines that the purposes for which such aid was extended have been accomplished. One other technical amendment was adopted to the bill, but all other suggested amendments were defeated.

Approval was given to S. 1005, to authorize an appropriation of \$30,000 for the Inter-Parliamentary Union.

ANTI-MONOPOLY BILL

Committee on the Judiciary: William T. Kelly, Chief Council of the Federal Trade Commission, and Dr. John Blair, Assistant Chief Economist of the Commission, testified before a subcommittee on S. 104, anti-monopoly bill. In an evening session, the committee heard Gilbert Montague, a New York attorney.

LABOR LEGISLATION

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: The committee further considered the various pending labor bills in executive session.

INDIAN COMMISSIONER

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee held hearings on the nominations for appointment to the Indian Claims Commission.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

House of Representatives

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Bills Introduced: Fourteen public bills, H. R. 2946-H. R. 2959; two private bills, H. R. 2960-H. R. 2961; and two resolutions, H. J. Res. 164-H. J. Res. 165, were introduced. Page 3126

Bills Reported: Bills and resolutions were reported as follows: H. R. 1362, permitting certain naval personnel to count all active service rendered under temporary appointment as warrant or commissioned officers in the Navy, Naval Reserve, Marine Corps, and Marine Corps Reserve, for purposes of promotion to commissioned

warrant officers in the Navy or the Marine Corps, respectively (H. Rept. 236); H. R. 1371, authorizing the Secretary of the Navy to appoint, for supply duty only, officers of the line of the Marine Corps (H. Rept. 237).

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Reports on Committee Meetings

NAVAL PROMOTION

Committee on Armed Services: Continued public hearings on H. R. 2537 (Navy promotion bill) and heard Rear Adm. Thomas L. Sprague and Commander David L. Martineau.

DISTRICT LEGISLATION

Committee on the District of Columbia: Subcommittee on the Judiciary met in executive session and ordered favorably reported to the full committee H. R. 493 (dangerous weapons), H. R. 492 (authorizes Juvenile Court to waive jurisdiction in certain cases), H. R. 495, (false pretenses), and H. R. 1448 (business licenses).

LABOR

Committee on Education and Labor: Subcommittee on Welfare held open meeting and heard John L. Lewis, who gave a first-hand report as president of the United Mine Workers Union on the Centralia mine disaster and the miners' holiday. Mr. Lewis also made various recommendations, asking for the removal of J. A. Krug as Secretary of the Interior and head of Government operation of mines.

GREEK-TURKISH LOAN

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Continued public hearings on H. R. 2616 (assistance to Greece and Turkey) and heard Samuel Guy Inmann, guest professor, Ohio Wesleyan University; Henry J. Cadbury, chairman, American Friends Service Committee; Allison Smith, editor, Social Questions Bulletin, Methodist Federation for Social Service; and Fred J. Libby, National Council for Prevention of War.

AIR ACCIDENTS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Continued open hearings on air-accident investigation and heard Tom Halpin, Washington, D. C.; Richard Nussbaum, New York City; R. E. B. Hamill, Washington, D. C.; Joseph Fodor, director, Fodor Research Laboratories, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Dr. J. H. Dellinger, chief, Central Radio Propagation Laboratory, U. S. Bureau of Standards, Washington, D. C.; J. B. Hartranft, Jr., general manager, Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association,

Washington, D. C.; H. Scherbak, New York City; Lowell Swenson, executive manager, National Aeronautics Association, Washington, D. C.; and four witnesses who appeared briefly in behalf of Air Line Pilots Association. The committee also met in a brief executive session at 11:45 a. m.

IRRIGATION AND RECLAMATION

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation met on H. R. 1977, H. R. 2873, and H. R. 2874 (amending the Reclamation Project Act) and heard William E. Warne, Assistant Commissioner, and Michael W. Strauss, Commissioner, Bureau of Reclamation, who urged the adoption of H. R. 1977; and also heard the testimony of the Secretary of the Interior, Julius A. Krug.

SEA-WALL CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Public Works: Subcommittee on Rivers and Harbors met on H. R. 2865 (construction of a sea wall at Nome, Alaska) and heard Col. Peter A. Feringa, Army Engineers; Hon. E. L. Bartlett, Delegate from Alaska; W. E. Reynolds, Federal Works Administrator; Jack Underwood, Nome, Alaska; Grant Jackson, President of Miners & Merchants Bank of Nome, Alaska; Hugh A. Scott, Seattle, Wash.; Karl G. Lohmen, president, Lohmen Lighterage Co., Nome, Alaska; and William L. Seeley, chief engineer and superintendent of airways for CAA during the war, at Nome, Alaska.

REPORTS ON JOINT COMMITTEES

D. C. TAX BILLS

Joint Meeting of Fiscal Subcommittees of the House and Senate District of Columbia Committees: Continuing study of D. C. taxes and budget, the District Commissioners and assistants summarized their previous testimony in favor of pending tax bills; Jerome B. McKee, legislative committee of the Federation of Businessmen's Association, supported a plan for income taxes; Gordon M. Atherholt, Vice President of the Northwest Council of Citizens Association, favored a plan to require larger Federal contribution to the District; and William G. Wilding, Deputy Budget Officer of the District, gave figures in support of the tax bills.

Committee meets again on April 8.

PORTAL-TO-PORTAL PAY

The conferees on H. R. 2157, portal-to-portal pay bill, held their second session without reaching agreement. The next meeting is scheduled for April 10.

STATUS OF APPROPRIATION BILLS

Bill No.	Title	Budget estimates	House			Senate			Public law		
			Date reported	Amount as reported	Date passed	Amount as passed	Date reported	Amount as reported	Date passed	Amount as passed	Date approved
H. R. 2436	Treasury-Post Office, 1948. Treasury-Post Office	\$4,099,124,500 2,554,034,250 1,545,089,250	Mar. 7	\$3,202,050,750 1,671,317,500 1,530,733,250	Mar. 11	\$3,202,050,750 1,671,317,500 1,530,733,250	Mar. 11	\$3,202,050,750 1,671,317,500 1,530,733,250	Mar. 11	\$3,202,050,750 1,671,317,500 1,530,733,250	Mar. 11
H. R. 1968	Urgent Deficiency, 1947. Rescission (Cash.)	182,942,600 564,217,844 132,000,000	Feb. 17	139,360,000 574,148,579 132,000,000	Feb. 18	139,360,000 574,148,579 132,000,000	Feb. 28	\$180,966,231 565,461,151 132,000,000	Mar. 5	\$181,486,231 565,461,151 132,000,000	Mar. 22
H. R. 2700	Labor-Federal Security, 1948. Labor-F.S.A. Related agencies.	1,763,412,300 103,578,700 980,168,600 699,665,000	Mar. 21	1,685,586,780 90,864,200 899,045,180 695,677,400	Mar. 25	1,684,586,780 89,864,200 899,045,180 695,677,400	Mar. 27	\$180,966,231 565,461,151 132,000,000	Mar. 28	\$181,486,231 565,461,151 132,000,000	Mar. 29
H. J. Res. 159	To supply deficiencies	243,610,987	Mar. 26	243,255,607	Mar. 26	243,255,607	Mar. 27	243,255,607	Mar. 28	243,255,607	Mar. 29
H. R. 2849	First deficiency for 1947	3,079,638,039	Mar. 28	2,471,498,548	Apr. 1	2,827,526,186					

Monday, April 7, 1947

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed 15 calendar bills and wool price support measure; House held routine session.
Senate agreed to vote on Atomic Energy Commission nominations on Wednesday, April 9.
Committee Print of labor bill released to public.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 3127-3136.

Bills Introduced: Ten bills were introduced, as follows:
S. 1057—S. 1066. Page 3133

Bills Reported: One bill was reported, as follows:
S. 907, to provide for the orderly transaction of public business in the event of the inability of regional disbursing officers of the Treasury (S. Rept. 91). Pages 3132-3133

CALENDAR BILLS

The Senate today considered and passed the following 15 bills on its Calendar:

National Park: H. R. 731, to establish Theodore Roosevelt National Park at Medora, N. Dak., amended;

Small Business: H. R. 2535, to amend the Reconstruction Finance Corporation Act to aid small business in purchase of surplus property;

Postal Service: H. R. 1713, to provide for the promotion of substitute employees in the postal service;

DAR: S. 516, to authorize furnishing steam heat to DAR properties;

Nurse Corps: H. R. 1943, to establish a permanent Nurse Corps of the Army and Navy and to establish a Woman's Medical Corps in the Army;

FBI: S. 715, to provide annuities for FBI agents after twenty years of service;

Senate Office Building: S. 723, to study plans and costs for an additional office building for the Senate;

Veterans: H. R. 1327, to extend for an additional 5-year period the 5-year term of Government insurance policies for veterans;

Construction of Dam: S. 64, granting consent of Congress for the construction of a dam across the Dan River in North Carolina;

Boy Scouts: H. R. 1621, to authorize the Secretary of War to lend equipment and provide services to the Boy Scouts of America in connection with a world-wide Jamboree in France;

Inter-Parliamentary Union: S. 1005, authorizing \$30,000 for U. S. participation in the Inter-Parliamentary Union; and

Four Private Bills: (S. 241, 243, 254, and 425, involving \$2,495.) Pages 3142-3146

Wool Prices: By a vote of 53 yeas to 10 nays, the Senate agreed to consider S. 814, to provide for price support for wool. The bill was then debated and passed by voice vote after adopting committee amendments. These provide for the orderly disposition of wool stocks now in the possession of Commodity Credit Corporation; the other committee amendments removed the sections which provided for CCC authority to make discounts from support prices for the purpose of discouraging unsound market practices, continuation of CCC until June 30, 1949, and allocation of \$130,000,000 for use in support price program. Also adopted an amendment which struck out the comparable price provision for determining wool prices. An amendment by Senator Saltonstall to set the price at 90 percent of parity was defeated. Pages 3145-3150, 3165-3175

Foreign Loans: Several Senators discussed loans to Greece and Turkey. Pages 3136-3143, 3150-3175

Atomic energy nominations: Agreed to vote at 5 p. m., April 9, on all nominations to the Atomic Energy Commission. Page 3175

Nominations: The following nominations were received: Henry F. Grady of California to be Ambassador to India, George A. Garrett of the District of Columbia to be Minister to Ireland, Jed Johnson of Oklahoma to be Judge of the Customs Court, Otto F. Heine of Hawaii to be Marshal for Hawaii, two promotions in the regular corps of the Public Health Service, and 73 postmaster nominations. Pages 3175-3176

Reports on Committee Meetings

LABOR FEDERAL SECURITY APPROPRIATION

Committee on Appropriations: Hearings were opened by subcommittee on H. R. 2700, Labor Federal Security

Appropriation, and testimony was received from the following Labor Department officials: William L. Conolly, Director, Division of Labor Standards; Clara M. Beyer, Associate Director, Division of Labor Standards; Beatrice McConnell, Chief, Child Labor and Youth Employment Branch; James Dinney, Business Manager; William F. Patterson, Division of Apprentice Training; Edward F. Gallagher, Administrative officer of the Apprentice Training Section; Ewan Clague, Commissioner, Bureau of Labor Statistics; Mrs. A. J. Wickens, Assistant Commissioner; and H. J. Fitzgerald, Executive Officer.

Hearings continue tomorrow on the above bill, and on April 9 subcommittee begins consideration of H. R. 2849, First Deficiency Appropriations.

TREASURY-POST OFFICE APPROPRIATION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on April 4 heard testimony on H. R. 2436, Treasury-Post Office Appropriation, from Jesse M. Donaldson, First Assistant Postmaster General; Clinton B. Uttley, Deputy First Assistant; and Clarence W. Bruce, Special Administrative Aide.

On April 5, heard Harold W. Bresnahan, Assistant Chief Clerk, and Edgar B. Jackson, Chief Clerk of the Post Office Department.

CUSTOMS PERSONNEL

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Commissioner of Customs W. R. Johnson, and D. B. Strubinger, Budget Officer, testified before the committee in regard to reduction of personnel of the Bureau of Customs.

LABOR LEGISLATION

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: After an executive session of the committee a new bill to amend the NLRA, "to provide additional facilities for the mediation of labor disputes affecting commerce, to equalize labor responsibility of labor organizations and employers, and prevent monopolistic labor practices," was released by the committee, designated as Committee Print of April 7, 1947. While this bill has not yet been introduced, it is pending before that group as a working print, and at the next meeting on Friday morning, the committee will begin voting on the various sections of this proposed draft, "marking it up" for reporting to the Senate. According to Senator Taft, it should be ready for Senate consideration by the middle of next week.

As released, the bill contains six titles involving the following subjects: (1) Amendment of the NLRA; (2) Federal Mediation Service; (3) Monopolistic Practices of Labor Organizations, Liability of Labor

Organizations, and Miscellaneous Provisions (including boycotts, suits against labor unions, and registration of labor unions); (4) Creation of a Joint Committee to Study and Report on Basic Problems Affecting Friendly Labor Relations and Productivity; (5) National Emergencies; and (6) Definitions.

ALASKAN DELEGATION

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: In an afternoon session the committee heard a delegation of businessmen from Alaska discuss the difficulties they are having receiving goods and materials because of labor problems which are holding up the shipping and movement of goods. The same group also appeared before the Committee on Public Lands.

NATIONALITY ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: The committee ordered reported the following bills: S. 460, amendment to the Nationality Act relative to nonprofit photographic studio; S. 490, extension of the Classification Act to inspectors in the Immigration and Naturalization Service; and three private bills (S. 53, 135, and 166).

The nomination of John W. Falkner to be marshal of the northern district of Mississippi was also approved.

JUDICIAL NOMINATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee held hearings on April 4 on nomination of George W. Foltz to be district judge for Alaskan District No. 1. No opposition appeared, and the nomination will be favorably reported to the full committee.

ANTIMONOPOLY BILL

Committee on the Judiciary: Edward Wallerstein, Columbia Records; J. W. Murray, Victor Records; Jack Kapp, Decca Records; and Leopold Freidman, Loew's, Inc., on April 5, appeared before subcommittee considering S. 104, antimonopoly legislation.

INDIAN COMMISSIONERS

Committee on Public Lands: The committee approved the following nominations as Indian Claims Commissioners: Edgar E. Witt of Texas, William M. Holt of Nebraska, and Lewis O'Marr of Wyoming.

On April 4 subcommittee approved nominations to the Indian Claims Commission and will later report them to the full committee.

The committee announced that on April 10 an open hearing would be held by its special subcommittee investigating the Centralia mine disaster and that Secretary of Interior J. A. Krug and John L. Lewis, UMW president, would testify.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Fifteen public bills H. R. 2962-H. R. 2976, and one private bill, H. R. 2977, were introduced.

Pages 3191-3192

Bills Reported: Printing pamphlet on Investigation of the Effectiveness of Anti-Racketeering Laws and the Administration Thereof (H. Rept. 238).

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Order of business: On motion of Mr. Arends, by unanimous consent, it was ordered that business in order under Calendar Wednesday will be dispensed with on Wednesday, April 9, 1947.

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Reports on Committee Meetings

DISTRICT LEGISLATION

Committee on the District of Columbia: Met in regular session to consider pending bills and ordered

favorably reported H. R. 492 (waiving of jurisdiction of juvenile court); H. R. 493 (provides for searches and seizure by police officers in the control, sale, transfer, etc., of dangerous weapons); H. R. 495 (transfers minor criminal cases to the jurisdiction of the municipal court); H. R. 1448 (requires compliance with laws for protection of life and property for apartment or business building license); H. R. 1997 (provides seniority benefits for Police and Fire Department veterans); H. R. 2659 (to establish a chronic alcoholism treatment clinic); and H. R. 2846 (removal of stone piers in West Executive Avenue).

INDIANS

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Indian Affairs met to consider various pending bills and heard William Zimmerman, Acting Chief, Bureau of Indian Affairs, and also a delegation of five Indian witnesses representing California Indians.

Tuesday, April 8, 1947

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed Farm Labor and Commodity Credit bills, reconsidered Small Business measure, and opened debate on Greek-Turkish Loan; House in adjournment.

Senate to vote on Atomic Energy Commission and General Manager nominations tomorrow at 5 p. m.

Foreign Service appointments were approved by Foreign Relations Group.

Housing Group voted National Mineral Resources Division in Department of Interior.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 3192-3196.

Bills Introduced: Four bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 1067-S. 1070, and S. Res. 102.

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Bills Reported: Bills and resolutions were reported, as follows: S. 1023, to include Coast Guard personnel in the exemption from payment of tolls on the Golden Gate Bridge (S. Rept. 95); and 3 private bills—S. 53, 135, and 166 (S. Rept. 92, 93, and 94, respectively).

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Greek-Turkish Loan: Senator Vandenberg opened debate on S. 938, to provide assistance for Greece and Turkey. Debate on this bill will be continued tomorrow.

Pages 3193-3198, 3215

Farm Labor: Senate debated and passed H. R. 2102, to provide for a 6 months' extension and final liquidation of the Farm Labor Supply program. An amendment by Senator Knowland was adopted before passage, providing that any Mexican farm laborer may remain in this country as long as the program is in effect but not later than Dec. 31, 1947. An amendment by Senator Kem to require employers to reimburse the Government for recruitment and transportation of off-shore employees was defeated by voice vote. An amendment by Senator Ball, to require that the provisions of Public Law 229 of the 78th Congress should not be construed to interfere with the functions of USES or State public employment service with respect to a farm placement service, was also defeated by voice vote. The Senate then asked for a conference on the

bill and appointed the following conferees: Senators Aiken, Bushfield, Young, Thomas (Okla.), and Ellender.

Pages 3199-3214

Small Business: The Senate reconsidered the passage of H. R. 2535, to amend the RFC Act to aid small business in the purchase of surplus property, and ordered it returned to the Calendar. This action voids passage of the bill yesterday.

Pages 3198-3199

Postmaster Investigation: Senator Langer moved to consider S. Res. 81, authorizing the Civil Service Committee to investigate the appointment of 1st, 2d, and 3d class postmasters. Senator Hayden made a point of order that no budget had been submitted and approved by the Committee on Civil Service as required by S. Res. 77, of the 79th Congress, and this point was sustained by the President *pro tempore*, thus preventing further consideration of S. Res. 81.

Pages 3214-3215

Commodity Credit: The bill (S. 350) to extend Commodity Credit to June 30, 1948, was passed by voice vote.

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Executive Session: Appointments to the Indian Claims Commission were confirmed as follows: Edgar E. Witt of Texas, William M. Holt of Nebraska, and Louis O'Marr of Wyoming. John W. Falkner was confirmed as marshal for the northern district of Mississippi. The injunction of secrecy on the Protocol and International Convention relating to the regulation of whaling was removed and these were referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

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Nomination: The following nomination was received: Col. Marshall S. Carter to be brigadier general.

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Reports on Committee Meetings

LABOR-FEDERAL SECURITY APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee considered H. R. 2700, Labor-Federal Security Appropriations, hearing testimony from the following officials of the USES: Robert C. Goodwin, Director; Perry Faulkner, Chief, Veterans' Employment Service; Lyle S. Garlock, Assistant Director for Business Management; Edward L. Keenan, Deputy Director; and Collis Stocking, Assistant Director for program.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

NATIONAL DEFENSE ESTABLISHMENT

Committee on Armed Services: W. John Kenney, Assistant Secretary of the Navy, testified on S. 758, National Defense Establishment. He stated that the bill would, in his opinion, provide the necessary supply organization and use the lessons learned in the last war.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

EXPORT-IMPORT BANK

Committee on Banking and Currency: Subcommittee met on S. 414, to provide Government insurance for

exports, and heard testimony from the following witnesses: William McChesney Martin, President of Export-Import Bank; James E. Heller, Industrial Associates for Foreign Trade; Milton W. Smith, Pan-American News; Maurice Pereles, Committee on International Trade; and Kenneth H. Campbell, U. S. Chamber of Commerce. Mr. Martin indicated opposition to the proposal as presently written.

POST OFFICE DEFICIT

Committee on Civil Service: In considering reduction of postal deficit (S. Res. 43), testimony was received from the following: Elizabeth A. Smart, representing the WCTU; Howard Ehrlich, National Publishers Association; C. W. Risberg, also appearing for the National Publishers Association; and Kinsey N. Merritt, Railway Express Agency.

Hearings continue tomorrow when consideration will also be given to S. 989, to amend the Trading With The Enemy Act, so as to permit certain aid to civilian recovery in occupied zones.

FOREIGN SERVICE APPOINTMENTS

Committee on Foreign Relations: A total of 14 appointments in the diplomatic corps were approved by the committee as follows: Henry F. Grady of California, Ambassador to India; Geo. A. Garrett of the District of Columbia, Minister to Ireland; Selden Chapin of the District of Columbia, Minister to Hungary; Edwin F. Stanton of California, Ambassador to Siam; Walter J. Donnelly of the District of Columbia, Ambassador to Costa Rica; John C. Wiley of Indiana, Ambassador to Portugal; Cavendish W. Cannon of Utah, Ambassador to Yugoslavia; Willard L. Beaulac of Rhode Island, Ambassador to Colombia; Fletcher Warren of Texas, Ambassador to Paraguay; Williamson S. Howell, Jr. of Texas, Ambassador to Uruguay; Paul H. Alling of Connecticut, Minister to Syria; Albert F. Nufer of New York, Ambassador to El Salvador; John E. Simmons of New York, Ambassador to Ecuador; and Paul C. Daniels of New York, Ambassador to Honduras.

GILA RECLAMATION PROJECT

Committee on Public Lands: Senators Hayden and McFarland, and Michael Straus, Director of the Bureau of Reclamation, testified in open hearings before subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation on S. 483 in re boundaries of the Gila reclamation project in Arizona.

Hearings will continue tomorrow with witnesses from Arizona.

GOLDEN GATE BRIDGE

Committee on Public Works: Committee ordered reported favorably to the Senate S. 1023, amending the act of March 14, 1944, to include Coast Guard personnel in the exemption from payment of tolls on the Golden Gate Bridge.

Senator Malone, chairman of the Subcommittee on Flood Control and Rivers and Harbors, announced

hearings beginning on April 22, on S. 418, stream pollution bill.

STEEL SUBCOMMITTEE

Special Committee to Study Problems of American Small Business: Chairman Wherry announced the ap-

pointment of a Steel Subcommittee composed of the following Senators: Martin, Cain, Ives, Ellender, and Holland. Senator Martin will act as chairman of the subcommittee which will investigate problems of steel distribution and supply which are affecting small steel users, manufacturers, and fabricators.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 9, at 12 o'clock noon.

Reports on Committee Meetings

GREEK-TURKISH LOAN

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Continued open hearings on H. R. 2616 (assistance to Greece and Turkey) and heard Martin Popper, executive secretary, National Lawyers Guild; Dr. Charles F. Boss, Jr., Commission on World Peace of the Methodist Church; Hon. Edward Lowber Stokes, Philadelphia, Pa.; William C. Gausmann, Washington representative, Socialist Party; Miss Anna Lord Strauss, president, League of Women Voters of the U. S.; and Miss Katherine Lee Marshall, legislative secretary, Women's International League for Peace and Freedom.

CIVIL SERVICE

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service met and heard the testimony of Civil Service Commissioner Flemming pertaining to reduction of Federal workers if budget is cut.

INDIANS—MINERAL RESOURCES

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Indian Affairs met and heard Representative Case of South Dakota present his bill, H. R. 2958 (emancipation of Indians).

Subcommittee on Mines and Mining met on H. R. 2455 (to establish within the Department of the Interior a National Minerals Resources Division) and heard Hon. Oscar L. Chapman, Under Secretary of the Interior. The subcommittee unanimously moved to report the bill to the full committee.

REPORTS ON JOINT COMMITTEE MEETINGS

D. C. TAX PROPOSALS

Joint Meeting of Fiscal Committees of the House and Senate District of Columbia Committees: Continuing a

study of D. C. taxes and budget, the committee heard Milton S. Kronheim, oppose all tax bills, favor cutting expenses, and increase Federal payment; Kenneth P. Armstrong, Federation of Citizens' Associations, favor increased Federal payments and oppose all tax bills except liquor and income; Washington I. Cleveland, American Automobile Association, favor gasoline tax; General McCoach, Washington Board of Trade, favor revising income and liquor tax and increase of Federal payment; David L. Gordon, Americans for Democratic Action, favor income tax and oppose sales tax and tax on public utilities; Vera M. Lundquist, Business and Professional Women's Club of D. C., favor all taxes except sales tax; Herbert S. Wood, Potomac Cooperative Federation, oppose sales tax; C. F. Preller, Central Labor Union, oppose sales tax and favor higher rates on income tax and increased Federal payment; B. G. McIlwee, favored increased Federal payment and higher liquor tax; Elizabeth T. Sullivan, Progressive Citizens Association of Georgetown, favored sales and income tax and higher Federal payments; F. Joseph Donohue, Washington Retail Liquor Dealers, Inc., oppose liquor tax and favor higher Federal payments; Joseph E. Keller, D. C. Petroleum Industries Committee, oppose gasoline tax but favor income tax; Captain Whitehurst, favor gasoline tax; and P. Y. K. Howat, favor gasoline tax.

Committee continues tomorrow.

SURPLUS PROPERTY

Joint Meeting of Surplus Property Subcommittees of the House and Senate Committees on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Continued study of the disposal of nuts, bolts, rivets, screws, and other fasteners by the War Assets Administration, and heard testimony from Gordon T. Burke, Regional Director of WAA, Regional Office, Omaha, Nebr., who recently announced his resignation effective April 30, 1947; Brig. Gen. Isaac Spaulding (retired), Zone Director, WAA, Zone Office, Chicago, Ill., and Rowland D. Schell, War Assets Administration, Deputy Zone Administrator in Charge of Sales, New York City.

Wednesday, April 9, 1947

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate confirmed Atomic Energy Commission and General Manager nominations and worked on the Greek-Turkish Loan measure; House passed 25 Calendar bills.

Senate Group opened hearings on educational aid proposals.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 3217-3222.

Bills Introduced: Eleven bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1071-S. 1081, S. J. Res. 99, and S. Res. 103. Pages 3219-3240

Greek-Turkish Loan: The Senate continued consideration of the proposal to extend aid to Greece and Turkey (S. 938), but did not reach a vote on passage. A committee amendment was adopted providing for the incurring of necessary expenses, including administrative and others, for rendering assistance. An amendment was adopted by Senator Vandenberg to a committee amendment providing that aid will be withdrawn by the President if the Security Council or the General Assembly of the UN advise that action taken by the UN makes continuance of such assistance unnecessary or undesirable. Pages 3222-3227, 3237-3240

Nominations: A total of 32 nominations in the diplomatic and foreign service were confirmed, including 11 Ambassadors and 3 Ministers. Pages 3241-3242

Atomic Energy Nominations: By a vote of 50 to 31, the Senate confirmed the nomination of David E. Lilienthal to be Chairman of the Atomic Energy Commission. The nominations of Robert F. Bacher, Sumner T. Pike, Lewis L. Strauss, and William W. Waymack to be members of the Commission, and Carroll L. Wilson to be General Manager, were confirmed by voice vote. Page 3241

Nomination: Appointment of John Price Gregg, of Oregon, as a member of the Tariff Commission was received. Page 3242

Reports on Committee Meetings

LABOR-FEDERAL SECURITY APPROPRIATION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee continued hearings on H. R. 2700, Labor Federal Security Appropriations, and heard testimony from Secretary of Labor Schwollenbach; Freida S. Miller, Director of

Women's Bureau, and Anne Larrabee, Assistant to the Director; William R. McComb, Wage and Hour Administrator, John C. Fraser, Business Manager, Raymond G. Garceau, Director Field Operations Branch, and Harry Weiss, Director Economics Branch; Edgar L. Warren, Director United States Conciliation Service, Howard T. Colvin, Associate Director, Willis H. Ray, Administrative Assistant, and James J. Dinneny, Business Manager.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

FIRST DEFICIENCY APPROPRIATION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on H. R. 2849, First Deficiency Appropriation, heard testimony from Senators Dworshak, Morse, Murray, and Wiley, and representatives of the following Government agencies: NLRB, Federal Security Agency, Indian Claims Commission, National Mediation Board, National Gallery of Art, Panama Canal, Department of Agriculture, Federal Works Agency, and Edward F. McGinnis, Senate Sergeant at Arms.

NATIONAL DEFENSE ESTABLISHMENT

Committee on Armed Services: W. John Kenney, Assistant Secretary of the Navy, Maj. Gen. Lauris Norstad of the War Department, and Vice Admiral Robert B. Carney of the Navy Department appeared in support of S. 758, to create National Defense Establishment. Vice Admiral Carney stated that the measure stresses top management and policy control and that the proposed organization appears sound from the viewpoint of the combat forces and their logistic planners.

Committee meets again on Friday to hear Under Secretary of War Royall.

HOUSING LEGISLATION

Committee on Banking and Currency: In executive session Senator Robert A. Taft, Joseph H. Deckman, and Rufus H. Lusk, National Home & Property Owners Foundation of Washington, D. C., appeared in connection with the committee's consideration of the long-

range housing bills (S. 287, S. 701, S. 803, S. 804, and S. 866).

Committee meets again tomorrow on RFC extension.

AID TO OCCUPIED ZONES

Committee on Civil Service: In studying S. 989, to amend the Trading with the Enemy Act to aid civilian recovery in occupied zones by increasing size of parcels and shipment of money, the committee heard Sigfried Goetze, Southern California Relief Committee; Rev. Fritz O. Evers, Zion Church of Baltimore; Col. R. L. Lancefield, War Department; and Jesse M. Donaldson, Acting Postmaster General. The first two witnesses and accompanying persons discussed civilian needs in the occupied zones. Col. Lancefield and Mr. Donaldson talked about limitations on parcels.

The committee staff was instructed to hold an informal session at 2 p. m. Thursday with officials of the War, Treasury, State, and Post Office Departments and prepare a report for the information of the committee.

Committee meets tomorrow on Civil Service Retirement.

POST OFFICE DEFICIT

Committee on Civil Service: Continuing further study of reduction of the Post Office Department deficit by revision of postal rates (S. Res. 43), the following witnesses discussed the subject generally including methods of salesmanship as practiced by the post office, postal service and the traffic developments necessary before rates are proper for discussion, and ways of determining postal costs and methods and need for imagination in the study of postal procedures: C. W. Risberg, Worden & Risberg, Philadelphia; H. Kenneth Marks, J. K. Lasser & Co. of New York; Charles Sweet, Capper Publications; M. A. Williamson, American Business Papers and McGraw-Hill; and Allen L. Grammer, Street & Smith Publications.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Twenty-five public bills, H. R. 2978-H. R. 3002; twelve private bills, H. R. 3003-H. R. 3014; and two resolutions, H. Res. 174-175, were introduced.

Pages 3270-3271

Bills Reported: Bills and resolutions were reported as follows: H. J. Res. 153, providing for relief assistance to the people of countries devastated by war (H. Rept. 239); H. R. 1997, providing seniority benefits for D. C.

EDUCATIONAL AID

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Senators Green, McGrath, Aiken and President James B. Conant of Harvard testified generally in support of legislation to aid the public elementary and secondary school system and to more nearly equalize school opportunities throughout the States (S. 81, S. 170, S. 199, and S. 472). Each of the Senators spoke in behalf of their respective bills, while President Conant particularly favored S. 472.

Hearings on these bills will be resumed on April 21. The committee next meets on Friday to begin voting on the Committee Print of the comprehensive labor bill.

GILA RECLAMATION PROJECT

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation in open hearings on S. 483, to revise boundaries of the Gila reclamation project in Arizona, heard testimony by Eugene D. Eaton, Bureau of Reclamation; Arizona State Senator Hugo B. Farmer; Harold J. Woodhouse, Gila Valley power district, and four farmers from Arizona (H. J. Hackett, R. H. McElheney, C. G. Buckeye, and Frank Batley).

Committee continues hearings tomorrow.

CIVIL SERVICE AND POLL TAX

Committee on Rules and Administration: Committee ordered favorably reported S. Res. 99, to change the name of the Civil Service Committee to Committee on Post Office and Civil Service, effective January 1, 1948; and S. Res. 94, to pay Thad E. Ragsdale for stenographic services for Committee on Education and Labor during 79th Congress.

Committee referred to subcommittee on Privileges and Elections for study S. 94, to make unlawful the requirement of paying poll tax as a prerequisite to voting in primary or other election of national officers.

Police and Fire Department war veterans (H. Rept. 240); and H. R. 2846, authorizing removal of stone piers in West Executive Avenue (H. Rept. 241). Page 3270

National Defense: The House passed S. J. Res. 97, limiting application of provisions of Federal law to counsel employed by a special Senate committee investigating the national defense program. Page 3244

CONSENT CALENDAR

The House considered and passed the following bills on its Consent Calendar:

Archives: H. R. 1350, amending the National Archives Act, relaxing restrictions on use of records by agency heads;

Naturalization: H. R. 2032, preserving residence continuity in United States, for naturalization purposes, for alien residents who served in Allied Forces in World War II, amended;

Naval Plantations: H. R. 1358, providing for management and operation of naval plantations outside the continental United States, amended;

Army and Navy: H. R. 1369, making permanent the office of Under Secretary of War and Under Secretary of the Navy, amended;

Naval Reserve: H. J. Res. 90, correcting an error in the Naval Reserve Act to include former Naval Reservists of the Philippine Islands, amended.

Larceny: H. R. 1564 (S. 363 passed in lieu), amending law relating to larceny in interstate and foreign commerce;

Military Reservations: H. R. 2183, providing conveyance to city of Detroit, Mich., a portion of Fort Wayne Military Reservation now deemed surplus, amended;

Naval Academy: H. J. Res. 116, correct technical errors in Public Law 729, 79th Cong., relative to Naval Academy appointments by Secretary of the Navy;

Right-of-Way: S. 231, authorizing Secretary of the Navy to grant to San Diego, Calif., a right-of-way over land of Camp Gillespie, Calif.;

Mining Claims: H. R. 2369, providing for suspension of annual assessment work on mining claims held by location in Alaska;

Indians: H. R. 1098, authorizing segregation and expenditure of trust funds held jointly by Shoshone and Arapaho Tribes of Wind River Reservation, amended;

Carriers: H. R. 2109, amend Civil Aeronautics Act of 1938, relative to through service by air and surface carriers, amended;

DAR: H. R. 2086 (S. 516 passed in lieu), authorizing Central Heating Plant to furnish steam heat to DAR properties;

Rural Carriers: H. R. 1636 (S. 547 passed in lieu) authorizing Saturday leave for rural carriers, amended;

AMVETS: H. R. 1888, incorporating AMVETS, American Veterans of World War II, amended;

Guam: H. R. 1368, to extend benefits of Missing Persons Act to include certain employees of U. S. Naval Government of Guam;

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Regular Army: H. R. 1605, providing for appointment of additional commissioned officers in the Regular Army;

Land Easement: H. R. 1807, authorizing Secretary of the Navy to grant to county of Pittsburg, Okla., perpetual easement for a public highway over naval ammunition depot, McAlester, Okla.;

Radio Stations: H. R. 2336, amending Communications Act of 1934, permitting use of Coast Guard radio stations for commercial-message purposes;

Airport Police: H. R. 2758, to establish police authority at Washington National Airport.

Homesteading: H. R. 603, amending the act allowing homestead-entry credits for members of armed forces of World War II, amended;

Indians: H. R. 1099, declaring that United States hold certain lands in trust for Minnesota Chippewa Tribe;

Memorial: H. R. 1584, authorizing erection of a memorial museum and shop on Fort Hall Reservation, Idaho, amended;

Marine Corps: H. R. 1375, providing for the clothing allowance of enlisted men of the Marine Corps;

Army Mail Clerks: H. R. 2339, eliminating additional compensation for Army mail clerks. Pages 3250-3264

Reports on Committee Meetings

HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: Held open hearings on H. R. 2780 (emergency veterans housing) and heard Berchmans T. Fitzpatrick, general counsel, National Housing Agency.

GREEK-TURKISH LOAN

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Continued open hearings on H. R. 2616 (assistance to Greece and Turkey) and heard Corliss Lamont, National Council of American-Soviet Friendship, Inc.; Frank Olmstead, field director, War Resisters League; Miss Mabel Vernon, Peoples Mandate Committee for Inter-American Peace and Cooperation; Gerald Bye, Philadelphia Youth Council to Oppose Conscription; John H. Haas; and Russell Smith, Farmers Educational & Cooperative Union of America.

INDIANS

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Indian Affairs met on H. R. 2958 and H. R. 2165 (emancipation of Indians) and H. R. 2572 (amending Indian liquor law), and heard William Zimmerman, acting

chief, Bureau of Indian Affairs. Subcommittee ordered H. R. 2572 reported to full committee.

COMMUNISM

Committee on Un-American Activities: Met and heard Louis J. Russell, investigator for the committee, describe the activities here and abroad of Eugene Dennis, secretary of the Communist Party. Harold Gesell, Chief, Inspection and Investigation Division of the Veterans' Administration, also presented a handwriting analysis on passports.

REPORTS ON JOINT COMMITTEE MEETINGS D. C. TAX PROPOSALS

Joint Meeting of Fiscal Committees of the House and Senate District of Columbia Committees: In further consideration of D. C. tax proposals and budget, the committee heard 11 witnesses representing local associations testify against increasing the gasoline tax and 12 additional witnesses representing an equal number of associations testify against sales tax.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

Thursday, April 10, 1947

HIGHLIGHTS

- Senate debated the Greek-Turkish loan proposal, adopting all committee amendments, and passed minor Coast Guard bill; House appointed conferees on farm labor measure.
- Senate Group opened hearings on RFC investigation.
- Bills on copper tax and Social Security approved by Senate Group.
- Senate hearings announced on income-tax reduction.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 3272-3274.

Bills Introduced: Six bills were introduced, as follows:
S. 1082-S. 1087. Page 3272

Bills Reported: Bills and resolutions were reported, as follows: S. 460, amendment to the Nationality Act relative to nonprofit photographic studio (S. Rept. 96); S. 28, to reestablish the offices of registers of land and provide for appointment of the Director and Associate Director of the Bureau of Land Management. Reported without recommendation (S. Rept. 97). Page 3272

Bills Referred: The following House-passed bills were referred to committees: H. R. 603, 1098, 1099, 1584, 2369, 1350, 1888, 2032, 1358, 1368, 1369, 1375, 1605, 1807, 2183, 2339, 2109, 2336, 2758; H. J. Res. 116 and 90. (For passage in House, see Digest, p. D81.) Page 3274

Greek-Turkish Loan: Debate was continued on S. 938, to extend aid to Greece and Turkey. All committee amendments to the bill were adopted; the pending amendment before the Senate was offered by Senator Johnson of Colorado, to strike from the bill all reference to Turkey, thus restricting the aid to Greece. Pages 3274-3295

Coast Guard Land: passed S. 1009, relating to the purchase of land from the Coast Guard in Florida, and discharged the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce from further consideration of the proposal. Page 3295

Nominations: The appointment of Anton J. Lukasiewicz to be marshal for the eastern district of Wisconsin was received, together with 14 nominations in the Diplomatic and Foreign Service, and 204 appointments in the Navy. Pages 3295-3296

Reports on Committee Meetings

LABOR-FEDERAL SECURITY APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee continued hearings on H. R. 2700, Labor-Federal Security Appropriations, and received testimony from Edgar L. Warren, Director, United States Conciliation Service; Howard T. Colvin, Associate Director, Willis H. Ray, Administrative Assistant, and James J. Dinny, Business Manager; Forrest H. Shuford, Commissioner of Labor, Raleigh, N. C., and president of the National Association of State Labor Commissioners; Max F. Baer, National Vocational Guidance Association; R. R. Laugherty, representing the Sheet Metal Workers International Association and the Railway Labor Executives

Association; L. E. Keller, representing the Brotherhood of Maintenance of Way Employees; A. E. Lyon, Railway Labor Executives Association; L. Blaine Liljenquist, representative of Western States Meat Packers Association; F. H. Floyd, Local Cartage National Conference; Miss Elizabeth Smart, National Woman's Christian Temperance Union; Elizabeth Christman, National Woman's Trade Union League of America; and John C. Williamson, Veterans of Foreign Wars.

CIVIL SERVICE RETIREMENT

Committee on Civil Service: In executive session the committee continued consideration of S. 637, to amend the Federal Retirement Act, to provide a more liberal retirement program.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

RFC EXTENSION

Committee on Banking and Currency: The committee opened an investigation of an \$80,000,000 RFC loan to the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad in connection with the proposed extension of the RFC. Those testifying were Robert D. L'Heureux, legal consultant to the committee, F. L. Baukhages, former counsel of RFC, and Cassius M. Clay, one-time General Solicitor for the B. & O. Railroad.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Nine public bills, H. R. 3015-H. R. 3023; four private bills, H. R. 3024-H. R. 3027; and three resolutions, H. J. Res. 166, and H. Res. 176-177, were introduced. Page 3318

Bills Reported: Bills and resolutions were reported as follows: H. R. 492, waiving jurisdiction by D. C. juvenile courts in certain major crimes (H. Rept. 242); H. R. 493, providing D. C. police certain authorities in cases of concealed weapons (H. Rept. 243); H. R. 2659, establishment of clinic in District of Columbia for chronic-alcoholism cases (H. Rept. 244). Page 3318

Bills Referred: The following Senate-passed bills were referred to the respective committees: S. 64 and 723 (Public Works), S. 254 and 425 (Judiciary), S. 814 (Agriculture), S. 1005 (Foreign Affairs), and S. 715 (Post Office and Civil Service). (For passage in Senate, see Digest, p. D74.) Page 3317

Land Easement: The House passed H. R. 1844, authorizing the Administrator of Veterans' Affairs to grant easements for rights-of-way over public lands to States

TAX HEARINGS—COPPER TAX—AGRICULTURAL LABOR AND NURSES

Committee on Finance: Chairman Millikin announced hearings beginning April 22 on H. R. 1, to provide for reduction in individual income-tax payments.

The committee approved H. R. 2404, to suspend certain import taxes on copper, but adopted an amendment excluding copper sulfate.

The committee also approved S. 1072, to amend the Social Security Act to extend until July 1, 1949, the period during which income from agricultural labor and nursing services may be disregarded by the States in making old-age assistance payments.

The nomination of James M. Alsup, to be Collector of Internal Revenue for the District of Hawaii, was ordered favorably reported to the Senate.

MINE DISASTER

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee investigating the Centralia mine disaster heard testimony from Secretary of Interior J. A. Krug and Capt. N. H. Collisson, Coal Mines Administrator.

Hearings continue tomorrow when UMW President John L. Lewis is scheduled to testify.

or public-service companies. The primary purpose of this legislation is to expedite the handling of such transactions as presently done by various Government agencies. Pages 3298-3299

Farm Labor: The House disagreed to Senate amendments on H. R. 2102 (continuing for 6 months after June 30, 1947, the farm labor supply program), agreed to conference, and appointed Representatives Hope, August H. Andresen, Johnson of Illinois, Flannagan, and Cooley as conferees. Page 3309

PRIVATE CALENDAR

The House considered and passed the following bills on the Private Calendar: H. R. 389, 654, 1068, 1176, 1318, 2199, 2248, and S. 241 and 243, without amendment. H. R. 341, 400, 422, 437, 704, 722, 723, 828, 914, 925, 986, 1064, 1065, 1091, 1092, 1093, 1221, 1393, 1482, 1514, 1791, 2389, and S. 875, with amendments.

The following two bills on the Private Calendar were ordered laid on the table: H. R. 1509 and H. R. 1510. Pages 3299-3305

Labor: Mr. Hartley was granted permission to file, by midnight, April 12, a report on H. R. 3020, prescribing

equitable rules for labor and management, protecting rights of workers with labor organizations, and recognizing the public interest in labor disputes, all as affecting commerce. Page 3296

District Legislation: Mr. Allen of California was granted permission to file, by midnight, April 12, reports on H. R. 495, changing D. C. Code definition of larceny, false pretenses, etc.; and H. R. 1448, authorizing D. C. Commissioners to classify, require licenses and fix fees in cases of certain living dwellings and businesses operated therein. Page 3297

Order of Business: On motion of Mr. Halleck, by unanimous consent, the House agreed to dispense with Calendar Wednesday business of Wednesday, April 16. Page 3296

Jefferson's Inaugural Address: The Speaker designated Representative Rankin, of Mississippi, to read Jefferson's First Inaugural Address, in order on Monday, April 14. Page 3296

Reports on Committee Meetings

HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: Held open hearings on H. R. 2780 (emergency veterans housing) and heard Dillon S. Myer, Commissioner, National Housing Authority; and Raymond M. Foley, Housing Administrator.

LABOR

Committee on Education and Labor: Held closed session on H. R. 3020 (Hartley labor bill). Will meet in executive session tomorrow.

SURPLUS PROPERTY

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Subcommittee on Surplus Property held public hearings on the contract entered into by War Assets Administration and the Palmer Nut and Bolt Company of Detroit, Mich., and heard Robert F. Haggerty, Regional Director, WAA, Detroit, Mich.; W. C. Lehman, formerly Director of Consumer Goods Division, Washington, D. C.; Anthony J. Flood, chief, Hardware, Plumbing and Heating Division, Philadelphia Regional Office, Philadelphia, Pa., and Frank L. McNamee, Regional Director, Philadelphia, Pa.

GREEK-TURKISH LOAN

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Met in executive session on H. R. 2616 (assistance to Greece and Turkey) and will meet again tomorrow.

POSTAL RATES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Met in executive session on H. R. 2408 (postal rates).

INDIANS

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Indian Affairs met on H. R. 2958, H. R. 2165, H. R. 2572, and H. R. 1113 (relating to emancipation of Indians) and heard Representative Karl Stefan (Nebr.); representatives of Nebraska Indian tribes: Frank Beaver, Chairman, Winnebago Tribal Council; Amos Lamson, Omaha Indian Tribal Delegate; Charles A. Walker, Chairman of Omaha Tribal Council; Otto Birdhead, representative of Ponca Indian Tribe; and Charles J. Springer, secretary of Omaha Tribal Council.

FLOOD CONTROL—COURT HOUSE

Committee on Public Works: Subcommittee on Flood Control met on emergency flood-control projects in Indiana, and heard Governor Ralph Gates of Indiana; State Senator Clyde Black of Indiana; Lt. Gen. R. A. Wheeler, Chief of Engineers; Col. P. A. Feringa, Corps of Engineers, and Representative Rich of Pennsylvania.

Subcommittee on Public Buildings and Grounds met on H. R. 2771 (to provide for a building for the U. S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia; and heard Hon. Bolitha Laws, Chief Justice of U. S. District Court for District of Columbia; Chairman Dondero; Bruce Baird, president, National Savings & Trust Co.; Ralph Van Orsdell, first vice president Chesapeake & Potomac Telephone Co.; and George Morris Fay, U. S. Attorney.

VETERANS

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Subcommittee on Education, Training, and Rehabilitation met in open session and received a written report from Hon. W. Howes Meade, a member of the committee. Subcommittee also heard Robert Rowen and John Hunter, two students at University of Wisconsin, who testified on the subject of subsistence allowances.

REPORT ON JOINT COMMITTEE MEETINGS

D. C. TAX PROPOSALS

Joint Meeting of Fiscal Committees of the House and Senate District of Columbia Committees: Continuing its study of D. C. taxes and budget, with special attention to sales, admissions, and cigarette taxes, the group heard Mrs. Gertrude Parks and Mrs. Leslie B. Wright, Federation of Women's Clubs, favor sales tax, the broadening of income tax, and more Federal payment; William Press, Washington Board of Trade, argue for a revised sales tax; Vernis Absher, S. E. Washington Citizens Association, favor sales tax, broadening income tax, and more Federal payment; A. Julian Brylawski, Motion Picture Theater Owners of Metropolitan D. C., oppose amusement tax and favor increased theater license fees and seat tax; J. P. Hayes, National Symphony Orchestra

Association, oppose admissions tax; Nathaniel Goldberg, representing Cigarette Retailers, oppose cigarette tax; Jerome Kaufman, tobacco wholesaler, oppose cigarette tax; Aaron Goldman, Macke Corp., oppose cigarette tax; and Ford E. Young, Fussell-Young Ice Cream Co., oppose sales tax on ice cream.

This meeting today terminates these hearings for the present.

PORTAL-TO-PORTAL PAY

Conferees on H. R. 2157, portal-to-portal pay bill, held a morning and evening session but failed to reach any final agreement.

Friday, April 11, 1947

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate debated the Greek-Turkish loan measure; House in adjournment.
Senate and House committees worked on labor bill.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 3319-3323.

Bills Introduced: Nine bills were introduced as follows: S. 1088-S. 1096. Page 3322

Bills Reported: Bills were reported, as follows: H. R. 2404, to suspend certain import taxes on copper (S. Rept. 98); S. 273, to limit the time within which GAO shall make final settlement of disbursing officers' accounts (S. Rept. 99); S. 1072, to amend the Social Security Act to extend until July 1, 1949, the period during which income from agricultural labor and nursing services may be disregarded by the States in making old-age assistance payments (S. Rept. 100). Pages 3320-3321

Bills Referred: The following private House-passed bills were referred to committees: H. R. 341, 389, 400, 422, 437, 654, 704, 722, 723, 828, 914, 925, 986, 1064, 1065, 1068, 1091, 1092, 1093, 1176, 1221, 1318, 1393, 1482, 1514, 1791, 1844 (relative to land easement in Florida), 2199, 2248, and 2389. Page 3322

Register of Land: The bill (S. 28) to reestablish the offices of Register of Land and provide for appointment of the directors and associate directors of the Bureau of Land Management was rereferred today to the Committee on Public Lands for further study. Yesterday the bill was reported to the Senate. Pages 3321-3322

Aviation Convention: Senate concurred in House amendments to S. 875, authorizing the President to appoint Maj. Gen. Lawrence Kuter to the International Civil Aviation Organization. This clears the bill for the President's signature. Page 3323

Greek-Turkish Loan: Several Senators debated S. 938, to provide aid to Greece and Turkey. No amendments were voted on today. Pages 3323-3346

Nominations: Fourteen nominations for promotion in the regular corps of the Public Health Service were received. Page 3346

Reports on Committee Meetings

FIRST DEFICIENCY APPROPRIATION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on H. R. 2849, First Deficiency Appropriation, heard testimony from the following witnesses: R. F. Lee, Chief, Historical National Park Service; William H. Hastie, Governor of Virgin Islands; Dr. Mordecai Johnson, President, Howard University; Charles E. Waller, Budget Officer of Immigration and Naturalization Service; Cecil E. Custer, Chief of the Budget and Finance Section of Civil Service; and 10 witnesses from the Navy Department and 5 from the War Department.

LABOR-FEDERAL SECURITY APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on H. R. 2700, Labor-Federal Security Appropriations, heard testimony from the following: Senator Myers; Dr. Paul B. Dunbar, Commissioner of Food and Drugs; Bush W. Locknane, Acting Budget Officer; George P. Larrick, Assistant Commissioner; Henry Welch, Chief of Penicillin and Immunology; William McCauley, Director of Employees Compensation Bureau; Daniel A. Morse, Assistant Secretary of Labor; James B. Carey, CIO Secretary-Treasurer; and Hartman Barber, Brotherhood of Railway and Steamship Clerks.

RFC LOAN TO B. & O. RAILROAD

Committee on Banking and Currency: In morning and afternoon sessions, committee continued investigation of the \$80,000,000 RFC loan to the B. & O. Railroad, in connection with the proposed extension of the RFC, and heard the following persons: C. B. Henderson, present Chairman of the RFC (he has recently tendered his resignation as Chairman to the President); W. W. Sullivan, Chief of the RFC Railroad Division; and Stewart McDonald, Director and Chairman of the B. & O. Mr. Cassius M. Clay, one-time General Solicitor for the B. & O. Railroad, appeared again, briefly before adjournment.

The sessions were devoted to questioning the witnesses relative to the making of the loan to the B. & O. and why the loan had not yet been paid back; the witnesses were sworn before questioning.

CIVIL SERVICE RETIREMENT

Committee on Civil Service: Continuing in executive session, the committee studied further S. 637, to amend the Federal Retirement Act to provide a more liberal retirement program.

Committee meets again Monday to continue its investigation of Government cafeterias (S. Res. 42).

CUSTOMS PERSONNEL AND EXPENDITURES

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: W. R. Johnson, Commissioner of Customs; Frank Dow, Assistant Commissioner of Customs; D. B. Strubinger, Budget Officer of the Bureau of Customs; E. J. Shamhart, Deputy Customs Commissioner (Investigation and Patrol); and Ugo Carusi, Commissioner of Immigration and Naturalization Service, appeared before the committee to discuss reduction of personnel of the Bureau of Customs and its expenditures.

Hearings will continue on Monday, April 14.

LABOR LEGISLATION

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: The committee gave tentative approval to the first 26 pages of the 62-page Committee Print of the proposed labor bill.

By a vote of 8 to 5 guards were removed from the "supervisor section" of the bill. The proposed NLRB membership was increased to 7 instead of the original 5, and a quorum fixed at 4 members. By a vote of 7 to

6 it was decided that if at least a majority of employees voted in favor of union shop, such shop would be provided; the previous provision required a two-thirds vote. A "free speech" amendment was adopted by a vote of 8 to 5, and Chairman Taft characterized this as providing for essentially the same practice as now followed by the employer in that connection. The question of national bargaining was passed over.

Sessions will be resumed on Monday when it is hoped that final agreement can be reached on the bill. Decision will be made later as to whether the various titles of the proposal will be introduced as a single bill or be handled as separate bills. The committee hopes to have it ready for Senate debate late next week.

CENTRALIA MINE INVESTIGATION

Committee on Public Lands: Capt. N. H. Collisson appeared before the subcommittee investigating the Centralia mine disaster to give that group the advantage of his experience as Coal Mine Administrator since October 1, 1946, under Government operation of the mines. Prior to that date Mr. Collisson had been Executive Officer under Admiral Ben Moreell. Mr. Collisson primarily devoted his discussion to Government operation of the mines.

Committee meets again to continue this investigation on Wednesday, April 16.

GILA RECLAMATION PROJECT

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation held a round-table discussion of S. 483, to revise boundaries of the Gila Reclamation Project in Arizona.

Committee meets again on Wednesday, April 16.

WEST VIRGINIA AND MARYLAND CONTESTED ELECTIONS

Committee on Rules and Administration: Subcommittee on Privileges and Elections met with Jack Hardy, counsel for the subcommittee, and with investigators preparatory to making a preliminary survey of charges in West Virginia senatorial election contest. Subcommittee also discussed Maryland senatorial election contest to date and instructed the investigating staff with respect to procedure.

of economic poisons and devices and repeals the Insecticide Act of 1910).

HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: Continued public hearings on H. R. 2780 (emergency veterans' housing) and heard Representative Albert L. Reeves, Jr., Missouri; Omar Ketchum, director, National Legislative Service, VFW, presenting Wesley D. Pierce, national housing

officer, VFW; Robert R. Posten, secretary, National Housing Committee, American Legion; Chat Patterson, national legislative representative of the AVC; Dr. Francis J. Brown, secretary, Committee on the Relationships of Higher Education to the Federal Government.

LABOR

Committee on Education and Labor: Met in executive session on the Hartley labor bill; the committee will meet on April 12 to vote on the bill.

SURPLUS PROPERTY

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Subcommittee on Surplus Property continued public hearings on contract entered into by War Assets Administration and the Palmer Nut & Bolt Co. of Detroit, Mich., and heard Frank L. McNamee, WAA Regional Director, Philadelphia, Pa.; Hanson Thomas, assistant general manager of sales of Russell, Burdell & Ward Bolt & Nut Co., Port Chester, N. Y.; Leon S. Diamond, Bronx, New York, formerly chief, General Hardware Section, WAA, New York; Francis P. McGinty, WAA, Assistant to Deputy Zone Administrator for Sales, New York City; George C. Heffrin, WAA, Chief, Hardware Branch, Richmond, Va.; Carl S. Hendricks, WAA, Chief of Hardware Division, Richmond, Va., Regional Office; Col. Mörlock Pettit, WAA Regional Director, Richmond, Va.; David Harris, WAA Regional Counsel, Richmond, Va.; Gordon T. Burke, WAA Regional Director, Omaha, Nebr.; John J. Jaeger, WAA Regional Office, San Francisco, Calif.; Ben A. Morgan, WAA Zone Office, San Francisco, Calif.; and Louis Tannsey, Clary Multiplier Corp., agent for WAA for sale of aircraft hardware.

GREEK-TURKISH LOAN

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Met in executive session on H. R. 2616 (assistance to Greece and Turkey) and

heard Acting Secretary of State Dean Acheson and Secretary of War Robert P. Patterson.

IMMIGRATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Immigration and Naturalization held hearings on a number of private immigration bills and heard testimony from the authors of the bills and from attorneys representing the individuals concerned. At the close of the meeting, the subcommittee ordered two bills reported favorably and four reported unfavorably to the full committee.

INDIANS—MINING

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Indian Affairs held hearings on H. R. 2622 (authorizing loans for Indians) and H. R. 1258 (uniform code of descent, Indians) and heard Representative Mundt of South Dakota and William Zimmerman, Office of Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior. The subcommittee ordered H. R. 2622 favorably reported to full committee.

Subcommittee on Mines and Mining met on H. R. 174 (extending U. S. mining rights to Alaska) and heard H. L. Faulkner, Juneau, Alaska, representing Alaska Miners Association, who testified in behalf of the bill; Joel David Wolfsohn and Herbert J. Slaughter, Department of the Interior, who suggested amendments. Subcommittee favorably reported the bill, as amended, to the full committee.

COURT HOUSE

Committee on Public Works: Subcommittee on Public Buildings and Grounds concluded open hearings on H. R. 2771 (providing for a building for U. S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia), then went into executive session and ordered the bill favorably reported, with amendments, to the full committee.

Monday, April 14, 1947

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate in recess; House passed D. C. bills and set May 19 for memorial services.

Report on Hartley labor bill filed in House.

Senate committee nears completion on its labor bill.

Wool price support bill ordered reported to House, with amendments.

Senate**Chamber Action**

The Senate was not in session today. Its next meeting will be on Tuesday, April 15, at 12 noon.

Reports on Committee Meetings**FIRST DEFICIENCY APPROPRIATION**

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on H. R. 2849, First Deficiency Appropriations, heard testimony

from the following: David Lynn, Architect of the Capitol; Derwin W. Darling, Manager, Senate Restaurant; F. J. Buckley, of the Fourth Assistant Postmaster General's Office; Walter Frech, Superintendent, Division of Mail Equipment Shops; Frank J. Delany, Post Office Solicitor; Roy C. Frank, Assistant to the Solicitor; A. B. Strom, Post Office Budget Commissioner; and J. A. Brennan, Special Administrative Aid to the Third Assistant Postmaster General.

Hearings continue Wednesday, April 16.

House of Representatives**Chamber Action**

The House was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Monday, April 14, at 12 o'clock noon.

Reports on Committee Meetings**AGRICULTURE**

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee No. 1 held open hearings on H. R. 1237 (regulates the marketing

LABOR-FEDERAL SECURITY APPROPRIATION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on H. R. 2700, Labor-Federal Security Appropriation, heard testimony from the following individuals: A. F. of L. President William Green; Douglas Whitlock, chairman of the Building Producers Institute; Millard W. Rice, Disabled American Veterans; Donald Garcelon, chairman, Maine Industrial Accident Commission; Dr. Marrell E. Farrington, New York Institute for the Education of the Blind; Solomon Fabricant, National Bureau of Economic Research; Charles I. Stengle, American Federation of Government Employees; Edward H. Weyler, Kentucky Federation of Labor; Dr. John W. Studebaker, Commissioner of Education; Dr. Kenneth O. Warner, Director, Division of Central Services; Miss Marie E. Schutt, Budget and Fiscal Officer; Dr. Raymond W. Gregory, Director, Division of Vocational Education; M. A. Stephens, Budget Officer, FSA; and Michael J. Shortley, Director, Office of Vocational Rehabilitation.

GOVERNMENT CAFETERIAS

Committee on Civil Service: Subcommittee investigating cafeterias on Government reservations (S. Res. 42) continued its investigation and heard Ben M. McKelway, former president, Washington Board of Trade, explain the interest of his group in limiting the growth of the East Potomac Park Tourist Camp; David Babb, Federation of Citizens Association, give testimony similar to that of Mr. McKelway; Abe Fortas, former Under Secretary of the Interior, read a memorandum pointing out what he regarded as lack of coordination and responsibility on the Government's side as it relates to GSI; Raymond C. Roberts, D. C. Fire Marshal, relate of a recent inspection he had made of the East Potomac Park Tourist Camp; M. G. Hall, manager of the Tourist Camp, take exception to the report of the subcommittee in regard to certain sanitary facilities; and F. F. Stone, Chief Engineer of GSI, state that his job is concerned with the over-all maintenance of GSI and not concerned with conditions at the tourist camp.

Hearings continue on Wednesday, April 16.

CUSTOMS PERSONNEL

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Investigation of the reduction of personnel in the Bureau of Customs was continued before the com-

mittee with the following testifying: H. J. Anslinger, Commissioner of Narcotics; Dr. S. O. Flandness, Assistant Chief, Bureau of Animal Industry, Department of Agriculture; S. A. Rohwer, Assistant Chief, Bureau of Entomology and Plant Quarantine; and H. F. Worley, President, National Customs Service Association.

LABOR LEGISLATION

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: After morning and afternoon sessions, Chairman Taft announced agreements made today by the committee, as now embodied in the Committee Print of the proposed labor bill. According to the chairman, this action brings the committee near a final vote on reporting the bill to the Senate, with the outlook for Senate consideration the first of next week.

During the day the committee took the following actions: Approved title II, setting up a Federal Mediation Service, after adding a provision for an advisory panel of six, and modifying statement on policy. The so-called Ellender amendment, relative to the 60-day waiting period, was approved but made an unfair labor practice under the NLRA. Section 301 of title III, relative to restrictions on payments to employee representatives (check-off), was stricken out by a vote of 7 to 6. Section 302 of title III, relative to boycotts and other unlawful combinations, was approved but made an unfair labor practice under the NLRA (sections b, c, and d were stricken out since they would no longer be applicable). Section 303 of title III, relative to suits by and against labor organizations, was approved. Section 304 of title III, on register of labor organizations, was approved but transferred as an amendment to the NLRA. Title IV, relative to the creation of joint committee to study and report on basic problems affecting friendly labor relations and productivity, was approved with minor modifications. Title V, dealing with national emergencies, was approved after adding an amendment to appoint boards of inquiry and increase the waiting period to 80 days (60-day waiting period, 15 days for secret ballot, and 5 days for certification).

Several questions are remaining before the committee for decision before the committee votes on reporting the bill to the Senate, including the question of dividing the bill into various parts and introducing them separately for Senate consideration.

Committee continues tomorrow.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Ten public bills, H. R. 3028-H. R. 3037; three private bills, H. R. 3038-H. R. 3040; and seven resolutions, H. Res. 178-H. Res. 182, H. J. Res. 167, and H. Con. Res. 40, were introduced.

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Bills Reported: Bills and resolutions were reported as follows: H. Res. 178, rule providing for consideration of H. R. 3020, Labor-Management peace bill (H. Rept. 248); H. R. 1465, relieving customs' collectors of liability for certain duty-collection failures in cases of foreign-vessel entry prior to Act. 1, 1940 (H. Rept. 249); H. R.

1467, providing increase of penalties in certain cases of violation of the Espionage Act or the Alien Registration Act (H. Rept. 250); H. R. 1565, codifies and enacts into positive law title 1 of the U. S. Code, entitled "General Provisions" (H. Rept. 251); H. R. 1566, codifies and enacts into positive law title 4 of the U. S. Code, entitled "Flag and Seal, Seat of Government, and the States" (H. Rept. 252); H. R. 1567, codifies and enacts into positive law title 6 of the U. S. Code, entitled "Official and Penal Bonds" (H. Rept. 253); H. R. 2083, codifies and enacts into positive law title 17 of the U. S. Code, entitled "Copyrights" (H. Rept. 254); and H. R. 2084, codifies and enacts into positive law title 9 of the U. S. Code, entitled "Arbitration" (H. Rept. 255).

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District Day: The House considered and passed the following District of Columbia bills:

Juvenile Courts: H. R. 492, waiving jurisdiction by juvenile courts in certain capital cases, amended;

Concealed Weapons: H. R. 493, providing Metropolitan police with certain authorities in cases of concealed weapons, amended;

District Code: H. R. 495, changing definition of grand and petit larceny, false pretenses, etc., for purpose of transferring minor criminal cases to the jurisdiction of the municipal court, amended;

Building Licenses: H. R. 1448, requiring compliance with laws for protection of life and property by apartment and business-building license applicants;

Temperance: H. R. 2659, establishment of a clinic in the District of Columbia for chronic-alcoholism cases, amended;

Police and Fire Departments: H. R. 1997, providing benefits to certain members of the Police and Fire Departments who are veterans of World War II, amended;

Pier Removals: H. R. 2846, authorizing removal of stone piers in West Executive Avenue.

Pages 3344-3358

Pan American Union Anniversary: The House passed H. Res. 180, calling for the observance of April 14, Pan American Day by extending appropriate resolutions and felicitations to all other American Republics.

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Memorial Services: The House passed H. Res. 179, fixing Wednesday, May 19, 1947, as a day of memorial services for deceased Members of the House of Representatives.

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Bill Referred: The following Senate-passed bill (S. 1009) was referred to the Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries. (For passage in Senate, see Digest, p. D82.)

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National Park Establishment: The House agreed to the Senate amendments on H. R. 731, establishing Theo-

dore Roosevelt National Park in North Dakota, and the erection of a monument to Theodore Roosevelt, in Medora, N. Dak. This bill passed the House, March 3, 1947.

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Reports on Committee Meetings**WOOL**

Committee on Agriculture: On April 12 the committee met on S. 814 (providing price support for wool) and the bill was ordered favorably reported as amended.

AMEND ARTICLES OF WAR

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee No. 11 (Legal) began public hearings on H. R. 2575 (to amend the Articles of War) and heard Hon. Kenneth C. Royall, Under Secretary of War, who testified in support of the bill.

LABOR

Committee on Education and Labor: On April 12 the committee met on H. R. 3020 (Hartley labor bill) and the bill was ordered favorably reported as amended.

SURPLUS

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: On April 12 the Subcommittee on Surplus Property continued hearings on War Assets Administration contract with the Palmer Nut & Bolt Co., of Detroit, Mich., and heard Marshall L. Godman, Associate Deputy Administrator, Office of Aircraft Disposal, WAA; Allen W. Maddren, formerly Assistant General Counsel, WAA; Herman H. Lind, president, American Institute of Bolt, Nut and Rivet Manufacturers; and Col. August E. R. Peterka, of Lamson & Sessions Co., Cleveland, Ohio.

The meeting on H. R. 2319 (Army-Navy merger), originally scheduled for April 15, has been postponed.

NATURAL GAS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Met on H. R. 2185, H. R. 2235, H. R. 2292, H. R. 2569, and H. R. 2956 (to amend the Natural Gas Act) and heard Representative Rizley, Oklahoma; Hon. Frank Carlson, Governor of Kansas; and Ernest O. Thompson, chairman, Railroad Commission of Texas, Austin, Tex. All three witnesses testified in favor of H. R. 2185, H. R. 2235, and H. R. 2292.

JUDICIAL—LIMIT VENUE

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 3 held hearings on H. R. 325 (to transfer Blair County, Pa., from the middle judicial district of Pennsylvania to the western judicial district), and heard Representative Van Zandt, Pennsylvania; Robert C. Haberstroh, president, Blair County Bar Association; Morgan J. Sheedy, treas-

urer, Blair County Bar Association; Martin Goodman, chairman, Blair County Bar Committee; and J. Calvin Lang, District Attorney and member of Blair County Bar Committee. All testified in support of the bill.

Subcommittee No. 4 held hearings on H. R. 1639 (to amend Employers' Liability Act so as to limit venue in certain actions), and heard Harry Sec, national legislative representative, Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen; Warren H. Atherton, counsel, Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen; A. E. Lyon, secretary, Railway Labor Executives Association; Jonas A. McBride, vice president and national legislative representative, Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Enginemen; W. D. Johnson, vice president, Order of Railroad Conductors. All testified in opposition to the bill.

JACKSON HOLE

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Public Lands met on H. R. 1330 (to abolish the Jackson Hole Monument) and heard Mrs. Charles N. Edge, Emergency Conservation Committee, and U. S. Grant III, American Planning and Civic Association, who opposed the bill. Representative Barrett, Wyoming; Senator Robertson, Wyoming; and Stanley Resor from the Jackson Hole country also were heard.

RULE

Committee on Rules: Met on H. R. 3020 (Hartley labor bill) and heard several members of the Committee on

Education and Labor. H. Res. 178, providing for an open rule and 6 hours' debate, was reported.

PENSIONS

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Subcommittee on Spanish War Veterans met on H. R. 969 (Spanish war pension bill) and heard Hon. Edward S. Matthias, USWV; Hon. John White, USWV; Mrs. Louise W. Williams, USWV Auxiliary; Horace Havner, USWV; Charles R. Barefoot, USWV; Commander William Floyd, Regular Veterans Association; and John Williamson, VFW. Subcommittee ordered the bill favorably reported to the full committee.

REPORT ON JOINT COMMITTEE MEETINGS PORTAL-TO-PORTAL PAY

Conferees on H. R. 2157, portal-to-portal pay bill, at their meeting on April 12 reached an accord on many sections in disagreement. Another meeting of the conference committee is scheduled for April 16 at 9 a. m.

BILLS SIGNED BY THE PRESIDENT

(New Laws)

H. R. 1621, to authorize the Secretaries of War and State and the Commissioner of Internal Revenue to take certain action to extend aid with regard to the Boy Scouts' World Jamboree in Paris. Signed April 14, 1947 (P. L. 31).

Tuesday, April 15, 1947

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate debated aid to Greece and Turkey; House adopted special rule and began general debate on the labor-management relations bill.

Senate group worked on labor bill.

Veterans' emergency housing bill ordered reported to House.

Conferees reach agreement on Farm Labor Supply Program.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 3376-3383.

Bills Introduced: Seventeen bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 1097-S. 1113, S. J. Res. 100. Page 3376

Bills Referred: The following House-passed bills were referred to committees: H. R. 492, 493, 495, 1448, 1997, 2659, and 2846. (For passage in House, see Digest, p. D89.) Page 3378

Greek-Turkish Loan: The Senate continued debate on S. 938, to provide assistance to Greece and Turkey. Pages 3383-3408

Confirmations: Appointment of Marshall S. Carter as Brigadier General, James M. Alsup as Collector of Internal Revenue for the District of Hawaii, and 13 promotions in the regular corps of the U. S. Public Health Service were confirmed. Page 3408

Nominations: The following nominations were received: Warren R. Austin, of Vermont, to be U. S. Rep-

representative to the special session of the UN General Assembly; Herschel V. Johnson of North Carolina to be alternate representative; George R. Merrell of Missouri to be Minister to Ethiopia. Nominations of John R. Johnson to be postmaster at Fairview, Mont., and Ellowene Zinke to be postmaster at Hamlin, Iowa, were withdrawn. Page 3410

Reports on Committee Meetings

LABOR-FEDERAL SECURITY APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on H. R. 2700, Labor-Federal Security Appropriations, continued hearings with testimony from the following witnesses: Dr. Thomas Parran, Surgeon General, Public Health Service, R. L. Harlow, Budget Officer, Dr. Herman F. Hilleboe, Assistant Surgeon General, and Dr. James A. Crabtree, Assistant to the Surgeon General; W. L. Mitchell, Acting Commissioner of Social Security; Katharine F. Lenroot, Chief, Children's Bureau; Dr. Martha M. Eliot, Assistant Chief, and Laura E. Warren, Administrative Officer; Frank Fremont-Smith, National Committee for Mental Hygiene; Harvey Willson, National Federation of Textiles, Inc.; Kathryn Goodwin, Assistant Director, Bureau of Public Assistance, R. L. Wynkoop, Chief, Coordinating and Procedures Division, A. Truelson, Chief Administrative Services, Roy E. Touchet, Chief Planning and Review Office, and Charles M. Krisman, Chief Fiscal Planning Section. Hearings continue tomorrow.

NATIONAL DEFENSE ESTABLISHMENT

Committee on Armed Services: Kenneth C. Royall, Under Secretary of War, testified in favor of S. 758, National Defense Establishment, and emphasized the money savings that would be realized under this proposed legislation. He listed five methods of saving money under unification as provided in the bill: (1) Elimination of duplicate functions, (2) elimination of duplicate services in carrying out these functions, (3) elimination of duplicate procurement, (4) elimination of duplicate installation, and (5) improvement of procedures in the departments.

Hearings continue tomorrow to hear Surgeon Generals of Armed Services.

MANUFACTURERS AND RELIGIOUS CENSUS

Committee on Civil Service: Committee considered S. 6 and S. 554, to provide for a census of manufacturers. Among those testifying were William C. Foster, Under Secretary of Commerce; Chester Gray, transportation consultant; John Daly, Bureau of the Census; Maj. Gen. Edmond H. Leavey, Army Chief of Transportation; Maj. C. P. Boute, Headquarters Army Air Force; Robert Ramspeck, Air Transportation Association; Frank J. Surface, Standard Oil of New Jersey, and Dr. Ernst Swanson.

The committee approved S. 614, to eliminate requirement for collecting statistical information for a religious census.

The civil-service retirement bill (S. 637) was discussed informally and the objections of one Government employee organization were read and discussed.

D. C. CITY CHARTER

Committee on the District of Columbia: A bill to authorize a Federal City Charter (S. 354) was approved and ordered reported to the Senate. The Trust Fund Measure (S. 629) was considered but action was deferred until a later date.

D. C. BILLS

Committee on the District of Columbia: Subcommittee considered S. 924, to give credit for active service in the armed services in determining eligibility for police and firemen's benefits, and heard Senator Kem; Corporation Counsel Vernon E. West; Capt. John E. Fondahl, Metropolitan Police; Capt. Mark H. Raspberry of the Park Police; Inspector Hobart W. Francis of the White House Police, and H. W. Lineburg of the American Legion.

It also considered S. 1016, to authorize the removal of certain stone piers on West Executive Avenue. Corporation Counsel West appeared on this matter and there was no opposition.

WAR RELIEF

Committee on Foreign Relations: Studying legislation proposed in pursuance of the President's message of February 21, recommending the appropriation of \$350,000,000 for relief of people in war-devastated countries, the committee heard Under Secretary of State Dean Acheson emphasize the urgency of the matter. Testifying in support of the President's recommendation, Dean Acheson stated that "Our studies indicate that the total needs for basic relief in 1947, following the termination of UNRRA shipments, amount to approximately \$600 million. Austria, Greece, Hungary, Italy, and Poland are the countries which appear to need assistance and China will probably have emergency needs for food imports to prevent suffering and starvation in certain areas. These studies are being kept under continuous review."

A measure (H. J. Res. 153) to carry out the President's proposal has already been reported to the House; the committee expects to await House action on this before reporting the bill to the Senate.

A subcommittee will meet Thursday, April 17, at 2 p. m., to consider the convention with France on double taxation (Executive A), signed October 18, 1946, and submitted to the Senate January 10, 1947.

LABOR LEGISLATION

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: In executive session the committee, considering the proposed labor bill, took the following action: Voted 7 to 6 to retain

the proposal embodied in the Committee Print on craft bargaining units. This provision forbids the Board to determine that a craft unit is inappropriate unless a majority of the employees in the proposed craft unit have voted against separate representation.

By a vote of 7 to 6, the committee struck out of the proposed Senate amendments language which specifically forbade the National Labor Relations Board from granting relief in strikes which have as their object (a) union recognition without an election, (b) remedying practices for which the statute creates a remedy, and (c) violation of some provision of the Wagner Act or another Federal law. In lieu of the language stricken out of the Committee Print, the committee adopted an amendment offered by Senator Donnell which stated that the right to strike should not be deemed to have been enlarged or changed so far as other limitations were concerned, and a further amendment by Senator Ives which stated that the "right to strike" should not be construed as being diminished except to the extent specifically provided for in the act.

By a vote of 7 to 6, the committee rejected an amendment offered by Senator Morse to split the Committee Print, as amended, into two bills. After this vote was taken, the staff was directed to prepare a clean Committee Print, showing the amendments adopted in the several executive sessions for the consideration of the committee at its next meeting, Thursday, April 17, when a vote to report the bill is expected.

INDIAN AFFAIRS

Committee on Public Lands: Indian Affairs Subcommittee approved eight bills and reported them to the full committee.

CONSTRUCTION—VETERANS' HOSPITALS

Special Committee to Study the Problems of American Small Business: Steel subcommittee opened hearings on the construction of veterans' hospitals, taking testimony from Robert M. Koch, of Karl-Koch Erecting Co.; Brig. Gen. John S. Bragdon, Director of Military Construction for the War Department; Col. William F. Heavey; and Heron Todd, of the Heron-Todd Construction Co. Hearings continue tomorrow.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Twenty public bills, H. R. 3041-H. R. 3060; eleven private bills, H. R. 3061-H. R. 3071; and five resolutions, H. Res. 183, H. J. Res. 168-170, and H. Con. Res. 41, were introduced. Pages 3458-3459

Bills Reported: Bills and resolutions were reported, as follows: H. Res. 181, printing additional copies of H. Rept. 245, to accompany labor-management relations bill (H. Rept. 256); S. 814, providing price support for wool (H. Rept. 257); twelve private bills, H. R. 334, H. R. 385, H. R. 407, H. R. 765, H. R. 821, H. R. 889, H. R. 1015, H. R. 1067, H. R. 1788, H. R. 1866, H. R. 1956, and H. R. 2257 (Repts. Nos. 258-269, inclusive); and the House conference report on H. R. 2102, Farm Labor Supply Program (H. Rept. 270). Pages 3565, 3574-3548

President's Message: A message from the President of the United States, transmitting a proposal for legislation to control the exportation and importation of arms, ammunition, and implements of war and related items, and for other purposes, was received by the House and referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs and ordered printed. Pages 3422-3423

Bill Referred: The following Senate-passed bill (S. 350) was referred to the Committee on Banking and Currency. (For passage in Senate, see Digest, p. D77.) Page 3457

Memorial Commission: The Speaker today appointed the following Members to the U. S. Territorial Expansion Memorial Commission: Messrs. Barrett of Wyoming, Bakewell of Missouri, and Thomas of Texas. Page 3423

Labor-Management Relations: The House considered and passed H. Res. 178, providing the rule to allow 6 hours' debate on H. R. 3020, labor-management relations bill. This resolution was passed by roll-call vote—yeas 319, nays 46.

The House also considered and passed H. Res. 181, authorizing the printing of 5,000 additional copies of H. Rept. 245, to accompany H. R. 3020. Pages 3411-3412

Reports on Committee Meetings

AMEND ARTICLES OF WAR

Committee on Armed Services: The Legal Subcommittee continued hearings on H. R. 2575 (to amend the Articles of War) and heard Maj. Gen. Thomas H.

Green, Judge Advocate General of the Army, who testified in support of the bill. Full committee met in executive session.

HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: Met in executive session on H. R. 2780 (emergency veterans' housing). The bill was ordered favorably reported, with amendment.

GREEK-TURKISH LOAN

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Met in executive session on H. R. 2616 (assistance to Greece and Turkey). Committee will meet tomorrow for further consideration of the bill.

NATURAL GAS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Continued public hearings on H. R. 2185, H. R. 2235, H. R. 2292, H. R. 2569, and H. R. 2956 (amending the Natural Gas Act) and heard John H. Murrell, general manager, De Colyer & MacNaughton, Dallas, Tex.; B. A. Hardey, president, Independent Petroleum Association of America, Shreveport, La.; R. C. Kay, chairman of gas committee, Panhandle Producers & Royalty Owners Association, and chairman of the natural gas committee, Independent Petroleum Association of America, Amarillo, Tex.; Maston Nixon, vice president, Southern Minerals Corp., Corpus Christi, Tex.; Hines H. Baker, executive vice president, Humble Oil Co., Houston, Tex.; and William A. Daugherty, attorney, New York City.

IMMIGRATION—PRIVATE CLAIMS

Committee on the Judiciary: Met in executive session and agreed to report favorably to the House H. R. 2237 and H. R. 2238 (to amend the Nationality Act of 1940), nine private claims measures, and twelve private immigration bills.

JACKSON HOLE

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Public Lands continued public hearings on H. R. 1330 (to abolish Jackson Hole Monument) and heard Fairfield Osborne, of New York City, representing New York Zoological Society and Jackson Hole Wildlife Park; Kenneth A. Reid, executive secretary, Izaak Walton League of America; and Fred M. Packard, executive secretary, National Parks Association. All testified in opposition to the bill.

Subcommittee also considered H. R. 2353 (to authorize the patenting of certain public lands to the State of Montana or to the Board of County Commissioners of Hill County, Mont., for public-park purposes) and voted unanimously to report the bill favorably, with amendment, to the full committee.

ARTIFICIAL LIMBS

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Met and witnessed a demonstration of artificial limbs, given under the direction of the committee on artificial limbs of the National Research Council. Appearing before the committee were Gen. F. S. Strong, Jr., executive director, committee on artificial limbs, National Research Council; Col. Robert S. Allen, consultant of the committee; and seventeen amputees, who demonstrated the use of new artificial limbs which have been developed under the program of the committee.

RECIPROCAL TRADE

Committee on Ways and Means: Held public hearings on Reciprocal Trade Agreements and heard I. R. Glass, Tanners Council of America, New York, N. Y., who testified in opposition to the present methods of tariff bargaining.

REPORT ON JOINT COMMITTEE MEETINGS

FARM LABOR SUPPLY PROGRAM

Conferees on H. R. 2102, to provide extension of Farm Labor Supply Program, reached an agreement over the differences between the House- and Senate- passed versions of the bill. The report is expected to be filed tomorrow.

The provisions of the bill agreed upon by the conferees would provide for ending the program on December 31, 1947, with a 30-day grace period for foreign laborers to return to their country, and stipulate that Public Law 229, of the 79th Congress, shall not be construed to eliminate or interfere with the functions of USES or State public employment services with respect to maintaining a Farm Placement Service. The Knowland amendment, providing that Mexican labor may stay in this country as long as employed as such, but in no event later than December 31, 1947, was also approved.

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(New Laws)

S. 231, authorizing the Secretary of the Navy to grant a right-of-way to the city of San Diego. Signed April 15, 1947 (P. L. 32).

S. 516, authorizing the furnishing of steam from the central heating plant to certain property of the DAR. Signed April 15, 1947 (P. L. 33).

H. R. 1327, to extend for an additional 5-year period the 5-year term Government insurance policies for veterans. Signed April 15, 1947 (P. L. 34).

H. R. 1713, to provide for the promotion of substitute postal employees. Signed April 15, 1947 (P. L. 35).

Wednesday, April 16, 1947

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate continued debate on Greek-Turkish loan measure; House concluded general debate on labor-management relations bill.

Bills on Farm Mortgage Corporation and nursery stock approved by Senate group.

Greek-Turkish loan proposal ordered reported to House with amendments.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 3459-3466.

Bills Introduced: Five bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 1114-S. 1118, S. J. Res. 101.

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Bills Reported: Bills and resolutions were reported, as follows: S. 245, to amend the Federal Farm Mortgage Act in regard to farm loans made under the Servicemen's Readjustment Act of 1944 (S. Rept. 101); and S. 338, to amend the Plant Quarantine Act relative to entry of nursery stocks (S. Rept. 102).

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Greek-Turkish Loan: The Senate continued debate on S. 938, to provide assistance to Greece and Turkey. A unanimous-consent agreement was adopted to vote at 4 p. m. Tuesday, April 22, on the bill and all amendments pending thereto.

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Reports on Committee Meetings

LAND BANKS

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: In executive session it was agreed to appoint a subcommittee to study S. 925, to transfer the Land Bank Commissioner Loan Service to the Federal Land Bank System. Members of this subcommittee will be carried in the Digest as soon as the chairman has named them.

FARM MORTGAGE CORPORATION—AND NURSERY STOCK

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: The two following bills were reported to the Senate: S. 245, to authorize the Federal Farm Mortgage Corporation to purchase farm loans made under the Servicemen's Readjustment Act of 1944; and S. 338, to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to limit entry of nursery stocks from foreign countries for propagation purposes, with an amendment to include bulbs.

FIRST DEFICIENCY APPROPRIATION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee concluded hearings on H. R. 2849, First Deficiency Appropriation, and ordered it reported to the full committee

which will meet on Friday, April 18, to consider the bill. The following witnesses were heard: James W. Greenwood, National Wage Stabilization Board; Milton Derber, Bureau of Labor Statistics; Charles D. Carlson, Department of Labor; Fred W. Johnson, Director of the Bureau of Land Management; and Depue Falck, Chief of Administration of Bureau of Land Management.

LABOR-FEDERAL SECURITY APPROPRIATION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee continued hearings on H. R. 2700, Labor-Federal Security Appropriation, and received testimony from the following witnesses: Senator Pepper; Daniel Blaine, of the Veterans' Administration; W. L. Mitchell, Acting Commissioner of Social Security; R. L. Wynkoop, Chief of Coordination and Procedures; Eugene Meyer, Washington Post; James S. Adams, American Cancer Society; and Leo L. Miller, Executive Assistant to the Administrator of FSA, and following associates: Geo. E. Bigge, Director of Federal-State Relations, Ellen S. Woodward, Director of Inter-Agency and International Relations, Dean Snyder, Executive Officer, Community War Services, Jack B. Tate, General Counsel; Joseph Sileargy, Clerk, Taylor H. McCauley, Deputy Director of Service Operations, Arthur B. McLean, Director of Personnel, and Harold Dotterer, Director of Service Operations of USES.

GOVERNMENT CAFETERIAS

Committee on Civil Service: Subcommittee investigating cafeterias on Government reservations heard Capt. M. H. Raspberry, National Capitol Park Police, and Norman H. Littell and associates, representing the American Youth Hostel Association. Mr. Raspberry identified an official report he made on October 30, 1946, setting forth crime and delinquency conditions at the East Potomac Park Camp, operated by GSI, but stated that since then conditions have shown some improvement. Mr. Littell recited the purposes of the AYH Association and produced a standard register issued by them as required of camp facilities for registration of AYH guests.

Committee meets again on this subject on Monday, April 21.

The full committee meets tomorrow on veterans' preference.

ANTI-MONOPOLY LEGISLATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on S. 104, anti-monopoly bill, relative to the purchase of assets, heard the following witnesses: R. E. Joyce, vice president of National Distillers Products Corp.; Frank Schwengel, president of Seagrams; H. E. Harmon and B. E. Ford, vice presidents of Hiram Walker & Sons.

The subcommittee adjourned subject to the call of the Chair.

The full committee meets on Friday in executive session to consider private bills and various nominations.

CENTRALIA MINE INVESTIGATION

Committee on Public Lands: Continuing its investigation into the Centralia mine disaster, the subcommittee making the investigation heard a general statement on the subject from R. R. Sayers, Director of the Bureau of Mines. Mr. M. K. Ankeny, a member of the commit-

tee making investigation of the explosion, also testified, giving his view on the cause of the mine explosion.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

GILA RECLAMATION PROJECT

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation heard testimony from Raymond Matthew, Colorado River engineer for the State of California, on S. 483, to revise the boundaries of the Gila reclamation project in Arizona, presenting various data on the subject.

CONSTRUCTION—VETERANS' HOSPITALS

Special Committee to Study the Problems of American Small Business: Steel Subcommittee studied steel problems affecting small manufacturers, fabricators, and users, hearing further testimony from Robert M. Koch, of the Karl-Koch Erecting Co. of Bronx, N. Y. Also testifying was C. A. Johnson, general manager of sales, Fabricated Steel Construction, Bethlehem Steel Co. The witnesses brought out the problems of independent steel erectors in bidding on construction for veterans' hospitals against larger integrated steel companies.

Committee meets tomorrow on problems of small newspapers.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Sixteen public bills, H. R. 3072-H. R. 3087; eight private bills, H. R. 3088-H. R. 3095; and one resolution, H. Res. 184, were introduced.

Pages 3578-3579

Labor-Management Relations: The House, in a 6-hour-and-40-minute session, concluded general debate on H. R. 3020 (labor-management relations bill) and considered numerous amendments. Three noncommittee amendments were rejected. The first, rejected by voice vote, was an amendment to extend the ban on closed shop to cover the union shop and maintenance of membership as well. The second, rejected by a vote of 136-117, was against removing a ban on the miner's welfare fund and similar benefits. On the third, the House defeated by a vote of 161-71 an attempt to permit industry-wide bargaining.

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Reports on Committee Meetings

MARKETING AGREEMENTS

Committee on Agriculture: Met in open session on H. R. 452 (marketing agreements) and heard Karl Loos, appearing in behalf of California Fruit Growers Ex-

change; California Walnut Growers Association; California Almond Growers Exchange; Northwest Nut Growers; and Oregon Nut Growers, Inc., who testified in favor of the bill.

AMEND ARTICLES OF WAR

Committee on Armed Services: Legal Subcommittee continued open hearings on H. R. 2575 (to amend the Articles of War) and heard Judge Donald E. Long, of Portland, Oreg., chairman VFW special committee on military justice; and George A. Spiegelberg, New York County Lawyers Association.

GREEK-TURKISH LOAN

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Met in executive session on H. R. 2616 (assistance to Greece and Turkey) and ordered the bill favorably reported, as amended.

NATURAL GAS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Continued public hearings on H. R. 2185, H. R. 2235, H. R. 2292, H. R. 2569, and H. R. 2956 (amending the Natural Gas Act) and heard E. Buddrus, president, Panhandle Eastern, Chicago, Ill.; Thomas H. Allen, president, Memphis Light, Gas & Water Division, Memphis,

Tenn.; William J. Harper, chief combustion and contract engineer, Republic Steel Corp., Cleveland, Ohio; W. K. Lewis, professor of chemical engineering, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, Mass.; and Warren Henry, Illinois Commerce Commission, Springfield, Ill.

PRIVATE CLAIMS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Claims met in executive session on six private bills, of which four were ordered favorably reported to the full committee.

MERCHANT MARINE PROGRAM

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Held executive session to plan future program.

JACKSON HOLE—ALASKA STATEHOOD

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Public Lands continued open hearings on H. R. 1330 (to abolish Jackson Hole Monument) and heard C. H. Moore, Dude Ranches Association, Wyoming; Howard Zahner, executive secretary, the Wilderness Society; and O. J. Murie, Jackson Hole Chapter, Izaak Walton League, who testified in opposition to the bill; Dr. Floyd C. Naegeli, president of the Jackson Hole Chamber of Commerce, Wyo.; and David J. Guy, manager, Natural Resources Department, U. S. Chamber of Commerce, who testified in favor of the bill.

Subcommittee on Territorial and Insular Affairs held open hearings on H. R. 206 (statehood for Alaska) and heard Hon. Julius A. Krug, Secretary of the Interior; Representative Henry D. Larcade, Jr.; Hon. Anthony J. Dimond, former Delegate from Alaska, now judge, district court; and Representative Homer D. Angell.

VETERANS

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Subcommittee on Education, Training and Rehabilitation met to receive report of Hon. W. Howes Meade on Kentucky educational institutions and subsistence allowances. Also appearing were George Trial, education service officer, VFW; Cecil H. Munson, chief of education and training, American Legion; and Clarence Adami, national service officer, AMVETS, all of whom accompanied Mr. Meade and reported on their findings.

RECIPROCAL TRADE

Committee on Ways and Means: Continued public hearings on Reciprocal Trade Agreements and heard James H. Casey, Jr., executive secretary, National Association of Leather Glove Manufacturers, Inc., Gloversville, N. Y.; Harry A. Moss, Jr., Association of Knitted Glove & Mitten Manufacturers, Gloversville, N. Y.; Abraham Mittenenthal, National Authority for the Ladies' Handbag Industry, New York, N. Y.; and Joseph Catterall, executive secretary, Rubber Manufac-

turers Association, Mechanical Division, New York, N. Y. All testified in opposition to further tariff reductions.

REPORT ON JOINT COMMITTEE MEETINGS

UNDERTAKERS' BILL

Public Health Subcommittees of the Senate and House District of Columbia Committees: The combined subcommittees heard the following witnesses testify in favor of S. 437, undertakers' bill, relative to licensing fees and qualifications: Dr. Daniel Seckinger, D. C. Health Department; Joseph B. Irvine, Chief, Vital Statistics Bureau; William C. Houston, attorney; and William A. Yawler. W. W. Chambers, D. C. undertaker, and Leonard A. Block, attorney for W. W. Chambers, appeared in opposition to the proposal.

Additional hearings will be held but the date has not yet been fixed.

D. C. TEACHERS' SALARIES

Fiscal Affairs Subcommittee of the Senate and House District of Columbia Committees: Increase of teachers' salaries in the District of Columbia (S. 1088) was considered by the subcommittees with Commissioner Guy Mason testifying that he approved the bill if additional revenue is available. Dr. Hobart Corning, Superintendent of Schools, A. Lee, legislative chairman of the Board of Education, and Mrs. Henry Grattan Doyle, president of the Board of Education, also testified on the proposal.

Hearings continue Saturday, April 19.

ECONOMIC REPORT

Joint Committee on the Economic Report: In executive session, it was decided to prepare a questionnaire on economic subjects to be submitted to various representative groups. The replies to this questionnaire would form the basis for future hearings to be held by the committee.

A staff report on prices, wages, construction, and related economic data was received, and the committee also considered a program of possible subjects for future study.

John W. Lehman, now Assistant Chief, Price and Cost of Living Branch, Bureau of Labor Statistics, was appointed a staff member.

Committee will meet again Friday to take action on the questionnaire prepared by its staff and possibly to prepare a statement on prices.

PORTAL-TO-PORTAL PAY

Conferees on H. R. 2157, portal-to-portal pay bill, continued their work on the provisions of the bill in disagreement. They reconvene Friday, April 18, for further discussion.

Thursday, April 17, 1947

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate debated aid to Greece and Turkey; House passed labor-management relations bill, 308 yeas to 107 nays.

Bills on labor and Export-Import Bank reported to Senate.

Senate subcommittee appointed to study antidiscrimination bill.

House subcommittee appointed to study bills amending Civil Service Retirement Act.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 3579-3587.

Bills Introduced: Eight bills and one resolution were introduced; as follows: S. 1119-S. 1126, S. Res. 104.

Pages 3580, 3583

Bills Reported: Bills and resolutions were reported, as follows: S. 354, to incorporate the Federal City Charter Commission (District of Columbia), with amendment (S. Rept. 103); S. 993, to provide for the reincorporation of the Export-Import Bank of Washington, without amendment (S. Rept. 104); S. 1126, to amend the NLRA, to provide additional facilities for the mediation of labor disputes affecting commerce, to equalize legal responsibilities of labor organizations and employers, and prevent monopolistic practices (S. Rept. 105).

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Resolution Passed: On motion of Senator Brooks, the Senate passed without objection S. Res. 99, changing the name of the Committee on Civil Service to the Committee on Post Office and Civil Service. The change will be effective January 1, 1948.

A resolution (S. Res. 94), authorizing payment for certain stenographic assistance, was also approved.

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Treaties Withdrawn: Senator Vandenberg reported a resolution (unnumbered) from the Committee on Foreign Relations, which was passed without objection, directing the Secretary of the Senate to return nineteen obsolete treaties which the President asked to have withdrawn in his message to the Senate of April 8, 1947. This action was taken as in executive session.

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Greek-Turkish Loan: The Senate continued debate on S. 938, to provide assistance to Greece and Turkey.

Pages 3587-3613

Withdrawal: Nomination of Louis L. Brown, to be postmaster at Fort Valley, Ga., sent to the Senate January 22, was withdrawn.

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Reports on Committee Meetings

LABOR-FEDERAL SECURITY APPROPRIATION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on H. R. 2700, Labor-Federal Security Appropriation, concluded its hearings today on the bill after receiving testimony from the following witnesses: Paul M. Herzog, Chairman, NLRB, John M. Houston, member, James J. Reynolds, member, Donn N. Bent, Executive Secretary, Irving K. Fox, Assistant Executive Secretary, and Ben Posner, Budget Officer—all of the NRLB; Dr. Lewis Weed, Director, Division of Medicine, National Research Council; Thomas W. Korb of Milwaukee; Clarence Mitchell, labor secretary, National Association for the Advancement of Colored People; Frank P. Douglass, Chairman, Robert F. Cole, and Mitchel D. Lewis, all of the National Mediation Board; and Paul M. Carter, Ralph F. Ray, and Leland Howard, of the National Railroad Adjustment Board.

EXPORT-IMPORT BANK

Committee on Banking and Currency: The bill (S. 993) to provide for reincorporation of the Export-Import Bank of Washington was ordered favorably reported to the Senate without amendment after the committee heard William McChesney Martin, Jr., Chairman of the Export-Import Bank of Washington, urge early and favorable consideration of the measure. Letters in support of the bill by William C. Foster and John W. Snyder were read into the record.

SMALL BUSINESS—FEDERAL RESERVE

Committee on Banking and Currency: After hearing introductory remarks by Senator Tobey, the committee heard Marriner S. Eccles, Chairman of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, urge passage of S. 408, to amend the Federal Reserve Act relative to guaranteeing in part "loans by charter banks particularly to small and medium-sized business that need capital for periods up to ten years." Letters were also read into the record by William C. Foster, Acting Secretary of Com-

merce; John W. Snyder, Secretary of the Treasury; and John D. Goodloe, Chairman of the RFC.

Committee meets in executive session tomorrow on housing legislation.

VETERANS' PREFERENCE

Committee on Civil Service: In discussing veterans' preference enforcement, the committee heard testimony from the following witnesses: C. L. Dawson, D. C. Department, American Legion; Harry V. Hayden, Jr., national legislative committee, American Legion; Rear Admiral Paul B. Nibecker, Navy Department; Millard Rice, Disabled American Veterans; James D. Moon, commander, National Association of War Veterans in Federal Employment; Charles Pace, National Association of War Veterans in Federal Employment; Frank Waring; Thomas Maginnis; John A. Overholt, Civil Service Commission; J. L. Nelson, commander, Federal Employees Veterans' Association; and George Goddard, past commander, Federal Employees Veterans' Association.

The purpose of the meeting was to hear complaints against removing of veterans in the campaign of reducing the force in the Navy Department. Admiral Nibecker read a lengthy letter which the Navy Department has just issued and which, at least theoretically, will solve the evils to which the complainant witnesses were directing their remarks.

A meeting of the committee staff on this subject was announced for April 23, to prepare for a report to the committee along with recommendations on the enforcement of the Veterans' Preference Act of 1944.

TAXATION CONVENTION

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee considering the convention on double taxation with France (Executive A) heard testimony from Colin F. Stam, of the Joint Committee on Internal Revenue, analyzing previous testimony. Ellsworth Alvord, tax attorney, also testified.

Subcommittee adjourned subject to the call of the Chair.

LABOR LEGISLATION

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: By a vote of 11 to 2, the committee voted to introduce and report favorably to the Senate the following bill as revised by

that group: S. 1126, to amend the NLRA, to provide additional facilities for the mediation of labor disputes affecting commerce, to equalize legal responsibilities of labor organizations and employers, and prevent monopolistic practices.

The report is expected to be filed early next week.

The bill as reported embodies substantially the provisions previously agreed to by the committee as found in the Digest, at pages D86, D88, D91-92. Today, before reporting the bill, the committee agreed to reinsert the "substantial evidence rule," by a vote of 7 to 6, and adopted a perfecting amendment with respect to bargaining rights of craft units, together with various other perfecting amendments.

ANTI-DISCRIMINATION BILL

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Chairman Taft announced the appointment of a subcommittee to consider S. 984, anti-discrimination bill. Members of the subcommittee are Senators Donnell, chairman; Smith, Ives, Pepper, and Ellender.

No date for hearings has been set.

CENTRALIA MINE INVESTIGATION

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee concluded its investigation into the Centralia mine disaster after hearing testimony by John L. Lewis, UMW president, and John E. Jones, UMW. Both men discussed the problem of safety in mines, as well as the recent disaster at Centralia.

Subcommittee on Territories and Insular Affairs meets tomorrow.

NEWSPRINT INVESTIGATION

Special Committee To Study Problems of American Small Business: Hearings by the Newprint and Paper Shortage Subcommittee were resumed to consider other problems affecting smaller newspapers. Today the subcommittee heard witnesses in connection with certain labor union practices which are having unfavorable effect on the newspaper publishing business. The witnesses were Former Assistant Attorney General Thurman Arnold; Tom Tanner, Labor Commissioner for the Southern Newspaper Publishers Association; and Theodore A. Serrill, of the Pennsylvania Newspaper Publishers Association.

Committee continues tomorrow.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Fifteen public bills, H. R. 3096-H. R. 3110; eleven private bills, H. R. 3111-H. R. 3121; and four resolutions, H. Res. 185-H. Res. 187 and H. J. Res. 171, were introduced.

Pages 3673-3674

Bills Reported: Bills and resolutions were reported, as follows: Printing of pamphlet from Committee on Un-American Activities entitled "Report on American Youth for Democracy" (H. Rept. 271); H. R. 2237, amendment to Nationality Act of 1940, regulating fees

covering costs of copies from records of Immigration and Naturalization Service (H. Rept. 272); H. R. 2238, amendment to Nationality Act of 1940, relative to non-profit photographic studios on Government property (H. Rept. 273); and H. R. 2780, increasing appropriation for emergency veterans' housing construction (H. Rept. 274); H. Res. 93, authorizing Committee on Public Lands to make investigations into any matter within its jurisdiction (H. Rept. 275); H. Res. 141, authorizing Committee on Armed Services to make studies on matters within its jurisdiction, relative to attendance and testimony of witnesses, and production of records (H. Rept. 276); H. Res. 153, authorizing Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce to investigate the transportation situation (H. Rept. 277); H. Res. 187, rule providing for consideration of H. J. Res. 153, proposal for \$350,000,000 assistance to war-devastated countries (H. Rept. 278).

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Labor-Management Relations: The House completed consideration of H. R. 3020, the Labor-Management Relations Act of 1947, adopted numerous amendments, rejected a motion to recommit the bill for further study by a vote of 122 to 291, and by a vote of 308 yeas to 107 nays passed the bill and sent it to the Senate.

Pages 3616, 3670-3671

Committee Appointment: The Speaker appointed Representative Herter, of Massachusetts, as a member of the Joint Committee on the Economic Report, in place of Representative Judd, of Minnesota, who resigned.

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Reports on Committee Meetings

MARKETING AGREEMENTS

Committee on Agriculture: Continued public hearings on H. R. 452 (marketing agreements) and heard John J. Riggle, National Council of Farmer Cooperatives, who appeared in behalf of the bill.

AMEND ARTICLES OF WAR

Committee on Armed Services: Legal Subcommittee continued public hearings on H. R. 2575 (to amend the Articles of War) and heard Frank M. Luowig, Phi Alpha Delta Law Fraternity; Ralph G. Boyd, president, Judge Advocates Association; and Arthur E. Farmer, Veterans' Bar Association.

RADIO

Committee on the District of Columbia: Held hearings on H. R. 2984 (regulating the installation of radio and television antennae masts or other structures) and heard Vernon West, Corporation Counsel; L. A. Meadows, president Manor Park Citizens Association; and George A. Corbin, recording secretary, Manor Park Citizens Association.

NATURAL GAS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Continued public hearings on H. R. 2185, H. R. 2235, H. R. 2292, H. R. 2569, and H. R. 2956 (to amend the Natural Gas Act) and heard Representative Schwabe of Oklahoma, in connection with his bill, H. R. 2956; and Tom J. McGrath, attorney for National Coal Association, Chesapeake & Ohio Railroad, and Eastern Gas & Fuel Associates, Washington, D. C.

PRIVATE CLAIMS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Claims held hearings on five private claims bills, four of which were ordered favorably reported to the full committee.

AMEND CIVIL SERVICE RETIREMENT

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Met in executive session and Chairman Rees appointed the following subcommittee to consider H. R. 2826, H. R. 2959, H. R. 2998, and S. 715 (to amend the Civil Service Retirement Act of 1930): Representatives Hagen (chairman), Corbett, Morton, Sadlak, Miller, Almond, and Davis.

JACKSON HOLE—ALASKA STATEHOOD—RECLAMATION

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Public Lands continued open hearings on H. R. 1330 (to abolish Jackson Hole Monument) and heard Newton B. Drury, Director, National Park Service, Department of the Interior, who gave the views of the Park Service.

Subcommittee on Territorial and Insular Affairs continued public hearings on H. R. 206 and H. R. 1808 (statehood for Alaska) and heard Representatives Mike Mansfield, George P. Miller, and Marion T. Bennett, who testified in favor of the bill; and H. L. Faulkner, attorney at law, of Juneau, Alaska, who testified in opposition to the bill.

Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation held open hearings on H. R. 2873, H. R. 2874, and H. R. 1977 (to amend the Reclamation Project Act) and heard Earl Cole, Cowlitz Public Utility District, Wash.; Judge Clifford H. Stone, National Reclamation Association; William Warne, Assistant Commissioner, Bureau of Reclamation; and J. T. Sanders, legislative counsel, the National Grange.

DAN RIVER DAM—FLOOD CONTROL

Committee on Public Works: Subcommittee on Rivers and Harbors met on S. 64 (construction of dam across Dan River, N. C.) and heard Representative John H. Folger. Following this, an executive session was held and the bill was ordered favorably reported to the full committee.

Subcommittee on Flood Control considered eight bills, one of which, H. R. 883 (examination and survey of San Antonio River, Tex.), was ordered favorably reported to the full committee.

RULES

Committee on Rules: Met on H. J. Res. 153 (providing for relief assistance to the people of countries devastated by war); H. Res. 153 (to continue the authority of the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce to investigate the transportation situation); H. Res. 93 (to authorize the Committee on Public Lands to make investigations into any matter within its jurisdiction, and other purposes); H. Res. 141 (authorizing and directing the Committee on Armed Services to conduct thorough studies and investigations relating to matters coming within its jurisdiction); and H. R. 49 (to enable the people of Hawaii to form a constitution and State government and to be admitted into the Union on an equal footing with the original States).

The chairman and several members of the Committee on Foreign Affairs testified in favor of H. J. Res. 153. H. Res. 187, an open rule providing four hours of general debate, was ordered reported by the Committee on Rules.

Mr. Wolverton and Mr. Lea appeared in favor of H. Res. 153, which resolution was ordered favorably reported.

The chairman of the Committee on Public Lands, Mr. Welch, was heard in favor of H. Res. 93, which was ordered favorably reported.

Mr. Elston asked favorable consideration of H. Res. 141, which was ordered favorably reported.

Mr. Farrington and Mr. Welch appeared in favor of H. R. 49. Hearings on this bill will be continued at a future meeting.

VETERANS

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Met in executive session.

RECIPROCAL TRADE

Committee on Ways and Means: Continued public hearings on reciprocal trade agreements and heard C. P. McFadden, Rubber Manufacturers Association, Rubber Footwear Division, New York, N. Y., who testified in opposition to further reductions in tariffs; and Professor Mildred Northrop, Bryn Mawr College, representing the Women's Action Committee for Lasting Peace, New York, N. Y., who testified in favor of further negotiations on reciprocal trade agreements.

REPORT ON JOINT COMMITTEE MEETINGS

ATOMIC ENERGY

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: The committee met today on organizational and procedural problems.

BILLS SIGNED BY THE PRESIDENT

(New Laws)

H. R. 1943, to establish a permanent Nurse Corps of the Army and Navy and to establish a Women's Medical Specialist Corps in the Army. Signed April 16, 1947 (P. L. 36).

S. 363, to amend the law relating to larceny in interstate and foreign commerce (sec. 3 of P. L. 534 of the 79th). Signed April 16, 1947 (P. L. 37).

Friday, April 18, 1947

HIGHLIGHT

Senate continued debate on Greek-Turkish loan; House in adjournment.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 3675-3679.

Bills Introduced: Six bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1127-S. 1132, S. J. Res. 102, and S. Res. 105. Page 3676

Bill Referred: The following House-passed bill, H. R. 3020, labor-management relations bill, was ordered placed on the Senate Calendar. (For passage in House, see Digest, p. D99.) Page 3676

Greek-Turkish Loan: The Senate continued debate on S. 938, to provide assistance to Greece and Turkey. Pages 3679-3703

Nominations: The nominations of Thomas M. Robinson of Montana, to be collector of internal revenue for the District of Montana, and T. Vincent Quinn of New York, to be an Assistant Attorney General, were received. Page 3704

Reports on Committee Meetings

FIRST DEFICIENCY APPROPRIATION

Committee on Appropriations: The full committee in executive session, "marking up" the bill for reporting to the Senate, completed consideration of about one-half of the first deficiency appropriation bill (H. R. 2849); further consideration will be resumed on Monday, April 21.

NATIONAL DEFENSE ESTABLISHMENT

Committee on Armed Services: Continuing hearings on S. 758, to create a National Defense Establishment, former Senator Thomas C. Hart of Connecticut testified in opposition to the measure. Maj. Gen. Norman T. Kirk, Surgeon General of the Army, stated that it is his belief that the solution to the problem of providing medical service for the armed forces is to be found in the establishment of a single, integrated medical service under a single head. Maj. Gen. Malcolm C. Grow, air surgeon, Army Air Forces, stated that S. 758 would provide the management necessary to coordinate military activities and that the medical service is but one of many phases of administration that would benefit by the bill.

Hearings are expected to be resumed next week.

HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: In executive session the full committee considered S. 866, the long-term housing bill, but made no announcement of action taken.

POST OFFICE DEFICIT

Committee on Civil Service: Continuing further study of reduction of Post Office deficit by revision of postal rates, the committee heard George Warfel, president, National Association of Special Delivery Messengers; Millard W. Rice, Disabled American Veterans; Mrs. F. Clough; J. T. Sanders, National Grange; and C. E. Holgerson, McCormick-Mathers Publishing Co., Wichita, Kans. Mr. Warfel proposed a flat rate for special delivery messenger service instead of the prevailing piece rate. Mr. Rice desired that congressionally chartered organizations be exempted from higher postal rates. Mrs. Clough opposed an increase in postal rates on food parcels to distressed countries. Mr. Sanders expressed the desire that the Post Office Department be placed upon a sound business basis, but opposed each class of postage "paying its own way." Mr. Holgerson expressed opposition to H. R. 2408 as discriminating against school children buying school texts.

At the next general meeting on Tuesday, April 22, the committee will determine when it will next meet on this subject.

BUREAU OF CUSTOMS PERSONNEL

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: In executive session, the group discussed the proposed consolidation of certain functions of the Bureau of Customs, specifically border and enforcement functions, with like activities of various agencies in the Executive branch of the Government.

The committee expects to have a report on the subject within a few days.

WAR RELIEF

Committee on Foreign Relations: Former President Herbert Hoover testified before the committee on H. J. Res. 153, authorizing 350 million dollars for foreign relief.

The committee approved the nominations of Warren Austin and Hershel V. Johnson to be U. S. delegate and alternate, respectively, to the special session of the General Assembly of the United Nations.

PHILIPPINE REHABILITATION

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Territories and Insular Affairs studied S. 1020, to amend the Philippine Rehabilitation Act of 1946, to authorize the appropriation of an additional 416 million dollars for rehabilitation purposes, with Frank A. Waring, Philippine War Damage Commission, testifying in support of the bill.

NEWSPRINT INVESTIGATION

Special Committee to Study Problems of American Small Business: Subcommittee on Newsprint and Paper Shortage continued its study of problems of smaller newspapers, with interested witnesses reporting upon certain labor-union practices which are causing unusual cost burdens to the smaller, independent newspapers.

Two witnesses were heard who discussed problems of newsprint shortage.

The following witnesses testified: Walter E. Hussman, Texas Newspaper Publishers Association, Texarkana; Hugo Gernsback, Radio Craft Magazine, New York City; and Robert P. Lalor, vice president, Greater Buffalo Press, Buffalo.

Hearings were recessed subject to the call of the Chair.

Steel Subcommittee will resume open hearings April 22 on problems of steel supplies affecting small manufacturers and users.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Monday, April 21, at 12 o'clock noon.

Reports on Committee Meetings

INSECTICIDES—FUR

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee No. 1 held an executive session on H. R. 1237 (regulating the marketing of economic poisons and devices, and repealing the Insecticide Act) and ordered the bill favorably reported, with amendments to full committee.

Special subcommittee, headed by Representative Murray, held hearings looking into the fur situation.

MILITARY

Committee on Armed Services: Posts and Stations Subcommittee continued hearings on H. R. 1341 (to authorize the construction of a postgraduate school at Monterey, Calif.) and heard representatives of the Navy who testified in support of the bill.

Legal Subcommittee continued hearings on H. R. 2575 (to amend the Articles of War) and heard Maj. Gen. Thomas H. Green, Judge Advocate General of the Army, who testified in support of the bill.

RADIO

Committee on the District of Columbia: Subcommittee on the Judiciary held open hearings on H. R. 2984 (regulating the installation of radio or television antenna, masts, or other structures) and heard seven witnesses who testified in favor of the bill, two who opposed the bill, and one who was noncommittal.

FOREIGN AFFAIRS

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Met in executive session and ordered favorably reported S. J. Res. 86 (authorizes reappointment of Herschel V. Johnson, to the Foreign Service) and H. R. 1179 (to aid in defraying the expenses of the Seventeenth Triennial Convention of the World's Woman's Christian Temperance Union to be held in this country in June 1947). S. 591 (amending the Act incorporating the Red Cross) was referred to a special subcommittee composed of Mr. Vorys, chairman; Mrs. Bolton; and Mr. Kee. H. R. 3001 (safeguarding passports issued by or under the authority of the Secretary of State) was referred to a special subcommittee consisting of Mr. Mundt, chairman; Mr. Jackson; and Mr. Mansfield.

NATURAL GAS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Continued public hearings on H. R. 2185, H. R. 2235, H. R.

2292, H. R. 2569, and H. R. 2956 (to amend the Natural Gas Act) and heard Tom J. McGrath, attorney for National Coal Association, Chesapeake & Ohio Railroad, and Eastern Gas & Fuel Association, Washington, D. C.; Anne X. Alpern, City Solicitor of Pittsburgh, Pa., who appeared in behalf of the National Institute of Municipal Law Officers and the U. S. Conference of Mayors; and William Wyer, chief executive officer, Jersey Central Lines and other railroads.

JUDICIAL

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 4 continued hearings on H. R. 1639 (to amend the Employers' Liability Act so as to limit the venue in actions brought in U. S. district courts or in State courts under such act) and heard Thomas B. Gay of Richmond, Va., president of Virginia State Bar Association and chairman of the committee on jurisprudence and law reform of the American Bar Association; and J. Carter Fort, vice president and general counsel of the Association of American Railroads. Warren H. Atherton, representing the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen, appeared in opposition to the bill.

Subcommittee on Claims heard several witnesses on 14 private claims bills.

Subcommittee on Immigration and Naturalization took testimony on several private immigration measures, also ordered favorably reported to the full committee H. R. 84 (to prevent American citizens fighting in enemy armies from re-entering the United States and regaining citizenship, and to permit American citizens fighting in Allied Armies to re-enter the United States and regain original citizenship status).

COAST GUARD

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Subcommittee No. 5 on Coast Guard, Coast and Geodetic Survey, and Public Health Service held open hearings and ordered favorably reported to the full committee S. 1009 (extending time to purchase Coast Guard site at Fort Lauderdale, Fla.); H. R. 2654 (granting land easement to city of Baltimore); and S. 874 (to appoint Lt. Comdr. Paul A. Smith to the Interim Council of the Provisional International Civil Aviation Organization). Representative Rogers appeared in support of S. 1009.

VETERANS' PREFERENCE

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Vursell Subcommittee held public hearings on H. R. 1389 (veterans' preference) and heard Lawrence Meloy, Civil Service Commission; Adm. Paul B. Nibecker, Navy Department; Harry B. Hayden, American Legion; John Williamson, VFW; Ray Sawyer, AMVETS; Chat Patterson,

American Veterans' Committee; Millard Rice, DAV; Hayden Garber, Potomac River Chapter, Coast Guard League; and W. E. Koken, Coast Guard League.

JACKSON HOLE—ALASKA STATEHOOD—RECLAMATION

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Public Lands continued public hearings on H. R. 1330 (to abolish Jackson Hole Monument) and heard J. B. Wilson, National Wool Growers Association; and Wyoming State Senator Felix Buckenroth, who testified in favor of the bill; and O. J. Murie, Jackson Hole Chapter of the Isaac Walton League of America, who testified in opposition to the bill.

Subcommittee on Territorial and Insular Affairs continued open hearings on H. R. 206 and H. R. 1808 (statehood for Alaska) and heard Hugh Dougherty, insurance agent of Anchorage, Alaska; Representative Melvin Price; Representative Melvin C. Snyder; Harrie D. Bolke, of Seattle, Wash.; and William L. Baker, editor and publisher of the Ketchikan Alaska Chronicle, Ketchikan, Alaska, all of whom testified in favor of the bill.

Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation continued open hearings on H. R. 2873, H. R. 2874, and H. R. 1977 (to amend the Reclamation Project Act) and heard Harrie D. Bolke, Director of Industrial Relations, Seattle, Wash., who testified in favor of H. R. 1977; Edgar Wright, Washington State Grange, who opposed any legislation which would raise power rates in farm areas; Edson Abel, California Farm Bureau Federation; Michael W. Straus, Commissioner, Bureau of Reclamation; Ronald B. Harris, Irrigation Districts Association, Fresno, Calif.; and Carl C. Moore, Northwest Public Power Association, who testified in favor of H. R. 1977.

HOME BUILDING

Select Committee on Small Business: Subcommittee on Housing held open hearings on small home building and heard Edward R. Carr, president, National Association of Home Builders; Ralph Duke, chairman of the operating committee of the Home Builders Association of Greater St. Louis, St. Louis, Mo.; Adrian Koch, Home Builders Association of Greater St. Louis; Alfred Gross, Jamaica, N. Y.; Albert Hirsch, Aclede Gas Light Co., St. Louis, Mo.; V. F. Buchek, San Antonio, Tex.; M. M. Robinson, Detroit, Mich.; and Angus McNeil, Home Builders Association of Greater St. Louis.

RECIPROCAL TRADE

Committee on Ways and Means: Continued public hearings on reciprocal trade agreements and heard Prof. Mildred Northrop, Bryn Mawr College, representing The Women's Action Committee for Lasting Peace, New York, N. Y., who testified in favor of reciprocal trade agreements.

REPORT ON JOINT COMMITTEE MEETINGS DUPONT CIRCLE UNDERPASS

Joint Meeting of Public Service Subcommittees of the House and Senate District of Columbia Committees: Held open hearings on the underpass at Dupont Circle, and heard five witnesses who testified in favor of the bill, nine who opposed it, and one who was noncommittal.

PORTAL-TO-PORTAL PAY BILL

Conferees on H. R. 2157, portal-to-portal pay bill, in executive session, continued their work in morning and afternoon sessions on provisions of the bill in disagreement between the House and Senate-passed versions, but failed to reach agreement.

Monday, April 21, 1947

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed Calendar bills and debated Greek-Turkish loan; House adjourned out of respect to Representative Norman.

Various bills reported to Senate.

Interior appropriations bill reported to House.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 3704-3709.

Bills introduced: Eight bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1133, S. 1140, Senate Joint Resolution 103, and Senate Resolution 106. Page 3707

Bills reported: Bills and resolutions were reported, as follows:

S. 614, to eliminate requirement for collecting statistical information for a religious census (S. Rept. 106); H. R. 2849, first deficiency appropriation bill (S. Rept. 107);

S. 534, to authorize additional allowances of good-time and payment of compensation to prison inmates performing meritorious service (S. Rept. 108);

S. 522, sale of certain lands by Chippewa Indians (S. Rept. 109);

S. 583, to exchange lands for Silver Creek recreational demonstration project, Oregon (S. Rept. 110);

S. 800, to provide funds for access roads to standing timber (S. Rept. 111);

H. R. 173, sale of certain lands in Alaska (S. Rept. 112);

H. R. 490, to appoint commissioner for Big Bend National Park (S. Rept. 113);

H. R. 729, re commissioner for the Shenandoah National Park (S. Rept. 114);

H. R. 804, reduction of accrued interest rates by the Farmers' Irrigation District, North Platte project (S. Rept. 115);

H. R. 2199, relative to Crow Indian Reservation (S. Rept. 116);

S. 666, trust funds for Shoshone-Arapahoe tribes (S. Rept. 117);

H. R. 193, to amend Mineral Leasing Act of 1920, to return 37½ percent of sales and royalties from public lands to Alaska or States concerned (S. Rept. 118); and

H. R. 1584, Fort Hall Reservation, Idaho (S. Rept. 119).

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Calendar bills: The Senate considered and passed the following bills from its Calendar (H. R. 2413 and H. R. 2404 were passed separately after the completion of the call of the Calendar):

Federal Reserve—Securities: H. R. 2413, to permit the Federal Reserve Board to purchase directly Government securities until July 1, 1950;

Copper tax: H. R. 2404, to suspend certain import taxes on copper;

Treasury fiscal officers: S. 907, to provide for the orderly transaction of business in the event of disqualification of Treasury-regional disbursing officers;

Nationality Act—Photographic Studio: S. 460, to amend the Nationality Act relative to the operation of photographic studios;

Agricultural Labor and Nurses: S. 1072, to extend until July 1, 1949, the period during which income from agriculture labor and nursing services may be disregarded in making old-age assistance payments;

Farm Mortgage Corporation—Servicemen: S. 245, to amend the Federal Farm Loan Corporation Act to provide a secondary market for farm loans made under the Servicemen's Readjustment Act of 1944;

Nursery Stock: S. 338, to authorize entry of nursery stocks, including bulbs, from foreign countries for propagation purposes;

Export-Import Bank: S. 993, to provide for the reincorporation of the Export-Import Bank; and

Private bills: Three private bills (S. 53, S. 135, and S. 166).

Pages 3709-3711

Copper tax: The Chair appointed the following conferees on H. R. 2404, to suspend certain import taxes on copper: Senators Millikin, Taft, and George.

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Boulder Dam: Senate debated Senate Joint Resolution 45, to change the name of Boulder Dam to Hoover Dam.

Pages 3715-3724

Greek-Turkish loan: The Senate continued debate on S. 938, to provide assistance to Greece and Turkey. An amendment by Senator Pepper, to prohibit the use of funds authorized in the bill for payment of any armed forces other than those of the United States, was ordered to lie on the table.

Pages 3724-3755

Representative Fred Norman: Senate adopted Senate Resolution 106, condolence resolution, out of respect to the late Representative Fred Norman, who died April 18.

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Nominations confirmed: Senate confirmed nominations of Warren R. Austin of Vermont to be United States representative to the special session of the UN General Assembly, and Herschel V. Johnson of North Carolina to be alternate representative.

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Nominations: A total of 24 appointments in the Diplomatic and Foreign Service, and 23 Army nominations were received.

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Reports on Committee Meetings

LAND BANKS

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Chairman announced the appointment of following subcommittee to study S. 925, to transfer the Land Bank Commissioner Loan Service to the Federal Land Bank System: Senators Aiken (chairman), Young, Thye, Thomas of Oklahoma, and Ellender.

FIRST DEFICIENCY APPROPRIATION

Committee on Appropriations: H. R. 2849, first deficiency appropriation bill, was reported to the Senate, proposing a total appropriation of \$2,832,180,266. The increase over the House-passed version is \$3,654,079. The total budget estimates amount to \$3,106,566,789. The committee struck out \$24,737,000 for Army pay; a proposal of \$1,000,000 for the return of war brides and children was added.

LABOR-FEDERAL SECURITY

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on H. R. 2700, Labor-Federal Security appropriation bill, con-

tinued "marking up" the bill preparatory to reporting it to the full committee. Subcommittee meets again tomorrow.

VETERANS' TEMPORARY HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: Subcommittee heard testimony in support of S. 854, to authorize an increase of \$50,000,000 in the funds available for completion of the veterans' temporary reuse housing program, by Raymond M. Foley, Administrator of National Housing Agency, and Dillon S. Myer, Commissioner of the Federal Public Housing Authority.

Hearings announced for tomorrow on extension of RFC have been postponed until April 29. On April 30 open hearings will be held on S. 1070, cancellation of capital stock of FDIC.

GOVERNMENT CAFETERIAS

Committee on Civil Service: Continuing hearings on investigation of Government cafeterias, the subcommittee heard the following two principal witnesses: Doran D. Vest, chief accountant for GSI, and Robert C. McCarthy, accountant for National Park Service. Hearings will continue on Monday, April 28.

JUDICIARY NOMINATIONS AND BILLS

Committee on the Judiciary: In executive session the committee ordered favorably reported the following nominations: George W. Folta, of Alaska, to be district judge in Alaska; and Charles Lee Stillers, of West Virginia, to be United States attorney for the northern district.

The committee ordered seven bills favorably reported to the Senate, of which the following six were private: S. 361, S. 423, S. 529, S. 620, S. 664, and S. 665. The other one is S. 534, to authorize additional allowances

of good time and payment of compensation to prison inmates performing meritorious service.

FEDERAL AID TO EDUCATION

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee in studying various proposals for Federal aid to education (S. 81, S. 170, S. 199, and S. 472) heard the following witnesses testify in support of S. 472: Dr. John K. Norton, Columbia University; Ralph B. Jones, commissioner of education, State of Arkansas; Mrs. Flora Harriman, teacher, Hampden, Maine; Mrs. Nannie Rucker, teacher, Ruthierford County; and Mrs. Authelia Gumm, teacher, Summersville, Ky. Hearings continue tomorrow.

PUBLIC LANDS AND INDIAN BILLS

Committee on Public Lands: In executive session, the committee ordered reported 11 bills involving public lands and Indians. (For details on bill numbers, titles, and reports, see Bills Reported, under Senate, Chamber Action, Digest, pp. D103-104.)

Subcommittee on Public Lands met on Saturday, April 19, to consider bills on its calendar.

AIRPLANE CONTRACTS AND ARABIAN OIL

Special Committee to Investigate the National Defense Program: After an executive session, Chairman Brewster announced the appointment of a subcommittee to investigate the contracts of Howard Hughes with the Government for the construction of airplanes, consisting of Senators Ferguson (chairman), McCarthy, Malone, Hatch, and O'Connor.

The committee heard ex-Senator Wheeler, investigator for the committee, give a verbal report on the Arabian oil question in closed session. (For further details on this investigation, see Digest, p. D58.)

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills introduced: Seven public bills, H. R. 3122-3128; two private bills, H. R. 3129-3130; and four resolutions, House Resolution 188-189; and House Joint Resolution 172-173, were introduced.

Pages 3756-3757

Bills reported: Bills and resolutions were reported as follows: H. R. 3123, Interior Department appropriations for 1948 (H. Rept. 279); and

S. 1009, extending time to purchase Coast Guard site at Fort Lauderdale, Fla. (H. Rept. 280).

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Order of Business: On motion of Mr. Arends, by unanimous consent, the House agreed to dispense with Calendar Wednesday business of Wednesday, April 23.

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Death of King Christian X: Representative Arends submitted House Resolution 188, which was considered and agreed to, a resolution expressing sympathy and respect to the people of Denmark and the royal family of the recently deceased King Christian X of Denmark.

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Death of Hon. Fred Norman: Representative Holmes, of Washington, submitted House Resolution 189, which

was considered and agreed to, a resolution calling for immediate adjournment of the House and suitable expressions of condolence to be extended as a mark of respect to the memory of Hon. Fred Norman, of Washington, who passed away Friday, April 18.

Pursuant to this resolution, the Speaker appointed Representatives Angell, of Oregon, and Horan, Jackson, and Jones, of Washington, as members of the funeral committee.

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Reports on Committee Meetings

FARM PROGRAM

Committee on Agriculture: Began open hearings on long-range farm program and heard Secretary of Agriculture Clinton P. Anderson. Hearings continue tomorrow.

AMEND ARTICLES OF WAR

Committee on Armed Services: Legal subcommittee continued hearings on H. R. 2575, to amend the Articles of War, and heard the Judge Advocate General of the Army and representatives of his office, who testified in support of the bill. Hearings continue tomorrow.

D. C. DAYLIGHT SAVING—POLICE

District of Columbia: Met on S. 736, daylight saving, and H. R. 1624, to pay police inspectors for use of private cars. Both bills were ordered favorably reported to the House.

PRINTING

Committee on House Administration: Subcommittee on Printing met and ordered favorably reported to the full committee House Concurrent Resolution 31, authorizing printing of 10,000 additional copies of United States versus Economic Concentration and Monopoly; House Concurrent Resolution 35, authorizing printing of 1,500 additional copies of the Postwar Foreign Economic Policy of the United States; and Senate Joint Resolution 89, providing that the Daily Digest be printed separately from the Congressional Record.

CLAIMS OF AMERICAN NATIONALS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Held public hearings on H. R. 1000 and H. R. 2823, claims of American nationals, heard 23 witnesses and received statements for the record from 12 additional witnesses.

MONOPOLIES—DEPORTATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 2 concluded public hearings on H. R. 515, to amend the Clayton Act to prohibit a corporation from acquiring physical properties of a competing corporation in restraint of trade. Robert Barnard, Special Assistant to the Attorney General, read the statement of Hon. Wendell Berge, Assistant Attorney General, concerning the bill.

Other witnesses were: Walter B. Wooden, Associate General Counsel, Federal Trade Commission, and Representative Kefauver.

Subcommittee on Immigration and Naturalization conducted hearings on H. R. 2933, to amend the Immigration Act to give the Attorney General discretion to suspend deportation of certain aliens and heard Edw. J. Shaughnessy, Department of Justice; Col. John Thomas Taylor, director, national legislative committee, The American Legion; James F. O'Neil, Manchester, N. H.; member national Americanism commission, The American Legion; John R. H. Scott, assistant legislative representative, VFW; Mike Masaoka, of Washington, D. C.; Rev. W. Sherman Burgoyne, Hood River, Oreg., representing Japanese American Citizens League; and Leo E. Ypsilanti, of New York City, and Soterios Nicholson, of Washington, D. C., representing the Order of Ahepa.

SHIP TRANSFER

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Subcommittee on Ship Construction and Operation and Maritime Labor met on H. R. 672, to authorize the transfer of the *Joseph Conrad* to the city of St. Petersburg, Fla., for museum purposes.

POSTMASTERS

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Subcommittee (Mrs. St. George, chairman) met and ordered favorably reported to the full committee, with amendment, H. R. 1203, providing compensation to persons performing the duties of postmasters at post offices of the fourth class during annual and sick leave of such postmasters; H. R. 2229, providing that fourth-class postmasters, appointed in the classified civil service, whose offices advance to a higher class, and postmasters of other classes whose offices are relegated to the fourth class, shall continue to serve in their original appointment until a vacancy occurs by reason of death, resignation, retirement, or removal, was ordered favorably reported to the full committee without amendment.

ALASKA STATEHOOD

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Territorial and Insular Affairs continued open hearings on H. R. 206 and H. R. 1808, statehood for Alaska, and heard H. L. Faulkner and R. F. Lewis, of Piedmont, Calif., who testified in opposition to the bill; Hugh Dougherty, of Anchorage, Alaska; Ken Hinchey, of Anchorage, Alaska; and Mr. Lee Bettinger, mayor of Kodiak, Alaska, who testified in favor of the bills. Hearings continue tomorrow.

DAN RIVER DAM—AMERICAN LEGION

Committee on Public Works: On April 19 the Subcommittee on Rivers and Harbors met in executive session and ordered favorably reported to the full committee,

S. 64, granting consent of Congress for construction of dam across Dan River, N. C.; and H. R. 1412, granting to American Legion Post No. 68 of Belzoni, Miss., reversionary interest reserved to Government in lands conveyed to said post.

RECIPROCAL TRADE

Committee on Ways and Means: Continued hearings on reciprocal trade agreements and heard Walter W. Cenerazzo, national president, American Watch Workers Union, Boston, Mass.; and Donald P. Loker, reciprocal trade committee, California Fish Cannery Association, Terminal Island, Calif., and California Sardine Products Institute, San Francisco, both of whom testified in opposition to reciprocal trade agreements.

On April 19, the committee met on reciprocal trade agreements and heard Lewis D. Bement, secretary, Associated Cutlery Industries of America, New York, N. Y.; D. Joseph O'Connor, chairman, tariff committee, Shears, Scissors & Manicure Implement Manufacturers Association, Newark, N. J.; Carl L. Wilkens, economic analyst, Raw Materials National Council, Sioux City, Iowa, all of whom testified in opposition to reciprocal trade agreements; Mrs. Zelia P. Ruebhausen, League of Women Voters, Washington, D. C.; Mrs. Margaret F.

Stone, National Women's Trade Union League of America, Washington, D. C., both of whom testified in favor of reciprocal trade agreements.

REPORT ON JOINT COMMITTEE MEETINGS

PORTAL-TO-PORTAL PAY BILL

Conferees on H. R. 2157, portal-to-portal pay bill, in executive session continued their work on Saturday and today on provisions of the bill in disagreement between the House- and Senate-passed versions, but failed to reach agreement. Conferees meet again Wednesday.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA TEACHERS' SALARIES

Fiscal Affairs Subcommittee of the House and Senate District of Columbia Committees: Subcommittee concluded hearings on S. 1088 and H. R. 2986, relative to salaries of teachers in the District of Columbia. The following testified: Paul Cook, American Federation of Teachers; Bernadette L. Dore, Association of Elementary Principals; Woolsey W. Hall, president, Federation of Civic Associations; J. C. Turner, Central Labor Union; and Alice C. Sheldon, Director of the Department of School Attendance and Work Permits.

At the session on Saturday, April 19, 16 members of different educational associations testified.

Tuesday, April 22, 1947

HIGHLIGHTS

By a vote of 67 to 23, Senate passed Greek-Turkish loan bill; House adopted contempt-citation resolutions and cleared copper tax-suspension bill for President.

House and Senate cleared farm labor program measure for President.

Bill on Census of Manufactures approved by Senate group.

Servicemen's citizenship and four public works bills ordered reported to House.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 3795-3798.

Bills introduced: Fifteen bills were introduced, as follows: S. 1141-S. 1155.

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Bills reported: Bills were reported, as follows:

Six private claims bills: S. 423, S. 361, S. 620, H. R. 326, S. 664, and S. 665 (S. Repts. 120, 121, 122, 123, 124, and 125 respectively);

H. R. 2846, to remove certain stone piers from West Executive Avenue (no written report); and Minority views on S. 1126, labor bill (part 2, S. Rept. 105).

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Greek-Turkish loan: By a vote of 67 yeas to 23 nays, the Senate passed with amendments S. 938, to provide assistance to Greece and Turkey. (For other amendments adopted, see Digest, p. D79.)

The Johnson (Colorado) amendment, restricting the proposal to nonmilitary aid, was defeated 22 yeas to

68 nays. Senator Robertson (Wyoming) offered a motion to table the bill which was defeated 23 yeas to 67 nays. By voice vote, Senator Johnson's (Colorado) amendment was adopted providing that nothing in the Act should be construed to imply that the Government of the United States shall be bound to support private agreements between American oil companies and foreign governments, or between American oil companies and nationals of foreign governments.

Pages 3758-3794

National Defense Committee: Senator Knowland submitted his resignation as a member of the Committee to Investigate the National Defense Program, and Senator Cain was appointed to fill the vacancy.

Pages 3794-3795

Farm labor supply program: The conference report on H. R. 2102, extension of farm labor supply program was agreed to, clearing the bill for the President's signature. (For details of conference report, see Digest, p. D93.)

Pages 3798-3799

Narcotic drugs: The protocol amending the agreements and conventions on narcotic drugs (Executive N), which was signed for the United States on December 11, 1946, was received.

Pages 3795-3797

Sugar regulation: Report (Executive Rept. 2) from Committee on Foreign Relations on protocol prolonging the international agreement regarding the regulation of production and marketing of sugar (Executive E) was received.

Pages 3797-3798

Labor bill: Senator Taft announced, in moving to make S. 1126, labor bill, the pending business, and which was agreed to, that he would be agreeable to lay the bill aside temporarily to consider the following business: at 3 p. m. on April 24, first deficiency appropriation bill (H. R. 2849); on April 23, S. J. Res. 45, to change the name of Boulder Dam to Hoover Dam and the nomination of Gordon Clapp, to be a member of the TVA.

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Reports on Committee Meetings

LABOR-FEDERAL SECURITY APPROPRIATION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on H. R. 2700, Labor-Federal Security Appropriation Bill, continued "marking up" the bill preparatory to reporting to full committee. Subcommittee meets again tomorrow.

SUBCOMMITTEE CHAIRMEN

Committee on Appropriations: Chairman Bridges held an executive meeting of all subcommittee chairmen at which procedural matters were discussed.

NATIONAL DEFENSE ESTABLISHMENT

Committee on Armed Services: Continuing hearings on S. 758, to create the National Defense Establishment, the

committee heard Gen. A. A. Vandegrift, Commandant of the Marine Corps, state that he is in accord with the over-all objectives that the bill seeks to attain but that, with respect to the Marine Corps, there are two defects in the measure: (1) it affirms the existence of the Marine Corps without expressly stating the roles and missions which the Corps is expected to perform, and (2) it completely excludes the Marine Corps from participation in the joint bodies and agencies which the bill would establish. General Vandegrift submitted proposed amendments to overcome the defects.

Committee meets tomorrow on calendar bills.

CENSUS OF MANUFACTURES

Committee on Civil Service: The bill (S. 554) to provide for the collection and publication of statistical information by the Bureau of the Census was ordered reported after amending it to include censuses on transportation as well as on "censuses of manufactures, of mineral industries, and of other business, including the distributive trades and service establishments." A number of perfecting amendments were also agreed to by the committee.

CIVIL SERVICE RETIREMENT

Committee on Civil Service: The bill to liberalize civil service retirement (S. 637) was also considered in executive session but no announcement was made as to action taken. Committee considers the measure again on Thursday, April 24.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA BILLS

Committee on the District of Columbia: The committee approved for reporting three measures as follows: H. R. 493, relative to possession of pistols; H. R. 492, amending the jurisdiction of the juvenile court; H. R. 2846, to provide for the removal of stone piers on West Executive Avenue; and S. 629, common trust fund.

INCOME TAX REDUCTION

Committee on Finance: Hearings were opened today on H. R. 1, to reduce individual income taxes, with Secretary of the Treasury Snyder testifying. He told the committee that in his opinion the bill "should not be enacted. It would make reduction in revenues of almost \$4,000,000,000 and necessitate an increase in expenditures of \$751,000,000 for tax refunds * * *." He favored "maintaining present tax rates in 1947." Mr. Snyder will continue his testimony tomorrow.

WAR RELIEF

Committee on Foreign Relations: A representative of the State Department testified informally before the committee on H. J. Res. 153, authorizing \$350,000,000 for relief of the people of countries devastated by the war.

FEDERAL DISTRICT JUDGE

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee concluded hearings on the nomination of Joe B. Dooley, to be

United States district judge for the northern district of Texas.

FEDERAL AID TO EDUCATION

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee on Education, continuing its hearings on bills to grant Federal aid to education (S. 81, S. 170, S. 199, and S. 472) heard the following witnesses testify in support of S. 472 with some suggested changes and reservations: Rev. Thomas B. Kechn, legislative representative of the Council for Social Action of the Congregational Christian Churches; George J. Hecht, publisher of Parents' Magazine and School Management Magazine; and Mrs. Gertrude Folks Zimand, general secretary, Na-

tional Child Labor Committee of New York. Mr. Hecht proposed increasing the minimum amounts to be allowed, together with the number of States to be affected.

STREAM POLLUTION

Committee on Public Works: Subcommittee on Flood Control and Rivers and Harbors opened hearings on S. 418, providing for stream pollution control, with Senator Taft, Dr. Thomas Parran, Surgeon General of the United States Public Health Service, and Milton S. James, Fish and Wildlife Service of the Interior Department, testifying in support of the bill.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills introduced: Twenty-six public bills, H. R. 3131-3156; 15 private bills, H. R. 3157-3171; and 8 resolutions, H. Res. 190-193; H. J. Res. 174-176, and H. Con. Res. 42, were introduced.

Pages 3806-3820, 3828

Bills reported: Bills and resolutions were reported, as follows:

Un-American activities, citing Leon Josephson in contempt for refusal to answer subpoena on February 4 and March 5, 1947 (H. Repts. 281 and 288), and citing Eugene Dennis in contempt for failure to answer subpoena on March 26, 1947 (H. Rept. 289);

Four private bills, H. R. 619, H. R. 770, H. R. 1954, and H. R. 2631 (H. Repts. Nos. 282-285);

S. J. Res. 86, authorizing reappointment of Herschel V. Johnson to the Foreign Service (H. Rept. 286);

S. 736, authorizing District of Columbia Commissioners to establish daylight saving time for District (H. Rept. 287);

S. 64, authorizing construction of dam across Dan River, N. C. (H. Rept. 290);

H. R. 1412, granting to American Legion Post No. 68, of Belzoni, Miss., reversionary interest reserved to Government in lands conveyed to said post (H. Rept. 291); and

H. R. 1624, to pay District of Columbia police inspectors for use of private cars (H. Rept. 292).

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Bills referred: The following Senate-passed bills were referred to the respective committees: S. 53, S. 135 and S. 166 (Judiciary); S. 245, S. 1072, and S. 338 (Agriculture); S. 907 (Expenditures in the Executive Department); S. 993 (Banking and Currency). (For passage in Senate, see Digest, p. D104.)

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Copper tax: The House concurred in Senate amendments to H. R. 2404, to suspend certain import taxes on copper. This cleared the bill for the President's signature.

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Farm labor supply program: The House agreed to the conference report on H. R. 2102, extension of farm labor supply program. (For details of conference report, see Digest, p. D93.)

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Contempt proceedings: The House considered and adopted H. Res. 190, directing proceedings to be brought against Leon Josephson, by the United States attorney for the District of Columbia for refusal to answer subpoena requesting appearance before the Un-American Activities Committee on February 4, 1947.

It also adopted H. Res. 192, directing proceedings to be brought against Leon Josephson by the United States district attorney for the southern district of New York, for refusal to answer subpoena requesting appearance before the Un-American Activities Committee on March 5, 1947.

It further adopted H. Res. 193, directing proceedings to be brought against Eugene Dennis by the U. S. attorney for the District of Columbia for refusal to answer subpoena requesting appearance before the Un-American Activities Committee on March 26, 1947.

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War relief: The House passed H. Res. 187, adopting rule allowing 4-hour's general debate on H. J. Res. 153, relief bill for war-devastated countries.

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Reports on Committee Meetings

FARM PROGRAM

Committee on Agriculture: Continued open hearings on the long-range farm program and heard Edward A.

O'Neal, president, American Farm Bureau Federation. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

MILITARY

Committee on Armed Services: Legal Subcommittee continued open hearings on H. R. 2575, to amend the Articles of War, and heard Harry V. Haden, American Legion; Justin N. Feldman, AVC; Col. Pinckney G. McElwee, former Staff Judge Advocate, Seventh Army.

Personnel Subcommittee resumed hearings on H. R. 2537, Navy promotion bill, and heard Rear Adm. Thomas L. Sprague, who testified in support of the bill.

Pay and Administration Subcommittee held hearings on H. R. 2314, benefits of survivors of naval aviation cadets, and H. R. 1380, death gratuity allowed to dependents of Navy and Marine Corps. Both bills were ordered favorably reported to the full committee.

PERMANENT WAR HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: Began open hearings on disposition of permanent war housing by the National Public Housing Administration and heard Raymond M. Foley, Administrator, National Housing Agency, and Dillon S. Myer, Commissioner, National Public Housing Administration. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

MINERS

Committee on Education and Labor: Met on the welfare of miners and heard Secretary of the Interior Krug. Mr. Krug placed the blame for the Centralia mine disaster upon the management, the local committee, and the State and Federal authorities, stating that it was the first obligation of the management to see that safety conditions were correct. He recommended authority for Federal inspectors to close mines in case of unsafe conditions. Mr. Krug also stated that Mr. Lewis claimed he could not take the men out of the mine on account of the ruling by the Supreme Court on the injunction issued.

SURPLUS—STATE DEPARTMENT

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Continued open hearings on the contract between Palmer Nut & Bolt Co., Inc., Detroit, Mich., and the War Assets Administration, and heard Carl H. Monsees, formerly Director of Advisory Groups and Consultants, WAA; John S. Cooke, formerly Director of Office of Consumer Goods Disposal, WAA; and Gen. James A. Mollison, Associate Administrator, WAA. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

State Department Subcommittee began open hearings and heard William Benton, Assistant Secretary of State, who testified relative to the functions and activities of personnel in the Office of Public Affairs, the smaller of the two divisions in the State Department for which he is responsible. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

HOUSE ADMINISTRATION

Committee on House Administration: Subcommittee on Accounts met in executive session.

INTERNATIONAL AIR CARRIERS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Began public hearings on consolidation and merger of international air carriers and heard Representatives Bradley, Miller, and Latham; Admiral William W. Smith, chairman, United States Maritime Commission, Washington, D. C.; Col. A. B. Barber, manager, Transportation and Communication Department, Chamber of Commerce of the United States; and Col. William A. Roberts, of Roberts & McInnis, Washington, D. C., representing motor carriers. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

JUDICIAL—CITIZENSHIP

Committee on the Judiciary: Met in executive session and ordered favorably reported to the House H. R. 1600, to revise, codify, and enact into positive law title 18 of the United States Code, entitled "Crimes and Criminal Procedure," with amendments; H. R. 2055, to revise, codify, and enact into positive law title 28 of the United States Code, entitled "Judicial Code and Judiciary," with amendments; and H. R. 84, to amend the Nationality Act of 1940 so as to prevent American citizens fighting in enemy armies from reentering the United States and regaining citizenship, and to permit American citizens fighting in Allied armies to reenter the United States and regain original citizenship status.

POSTAL RATES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Held executive session on H. R. 2408, postal rates.

ALASKA STATEHOOD

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Territorial and Insular Affairs continued open hearings on H. R. 206 and H. R. 1808, statehood for Alaska, and heard Representative Gore, George Sundborg, general manager, Alaska Development Board; and Ralph J. Rivers, attorney general of Alaska. All testified in favor of the bills. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

PUBLIC WORKS

Committee on Public Works: Met in executive session and ordered favorably reported to the House H. R. 1874, amendment to Federal-aid Highway Act 1944; S. 64, dam across Dan River, N. C.; H. R. 1412, granting to American Legion Post No. 68, Belzoni, Miss., reversionary interest reserved to Government in lands conveyed to post; and H. R. 3029, authorizing \$400,000 for plans for a new Federal court building for the District of Columbia. Seven review resolutions on rivers and harbors projects were approved.

VETERANS

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Subcommittee on Insurance held executive session and heard Harold W. Breining, Assistant Administrator for Insurance, Veterans' Administration.

RECIPROCAL TRADE

Committee on Ways and Means: Continued hearings on reciprocal trade agreements and heard A. H. Faulkner, Association of Pacific Fisheries, Seattle, Wash.; Raymond E. Steele, general counsel, National Fisheries Institute, Inc., Washington, D. C.; and J. J. Smith, Washington, D. C., representing various sardine-packing companies; all of whom were opposed to further tariff reductions. Committee also held executive session to consider Senate amendment to H. R. 2404, to suspend certain import taxes on copper. Committee agreed to

Senate amendment which retains tax on copper sulphate. Hearings on reciprocal trade agreements continue tomorrow.

REPORT ON JOINT COMMITTEE MEETING

PRICES AND ECONOMIC QUESTIONNAIRE

Joint Committee on the Economic Report: After an executive session, it was announced that the following subcommittee was appointed to formulate an economic questionnaire to be submitted to various groups: Senator Flanders (chairman), Senator O'Mahoney, Representative Rich, and Representative Hart.

A report on prices prepared by the committee staff was also considered but no decision was reached.

It is expected that the next meeting will be on May 2.

Wednesday, April 23, 1947

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate opened debate on labor bill and passed Hoover Dam measure; House concluded debate but stayed vote on war relief proposal.

Housing and various armed service bills approved by Senate groups.

Five Merchant Marine bills reported to House.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 3831-3834.

Bills introduced: Two bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 1156, S. 1157, and S. Res. 107.

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Veto message: Received message from the President vetoing S. J. Res. 97, which would have, among other things, permitted the employment of former Senator Burton K. Wheeler by the Special Committee to Investigate the National Defense Program.

Pages 3829-3831

Labor legislation: Debate on S. 1126, labor bill, was begun with Chairman Taft explaining provisions of the proposal.

Pages 3834-3840

Boulder Dam: The Senate debated and passed H. J. Res. 140, to change the name of Boulder Dam to Hoover Dam, thus clearing the resolution for the President. A similar resolution (S. J. Res. 45) was indefinitely postponed.

Pages 3840-3847

TVA nomination: Nomination of Gordon R. Clapp, to be a member of the Board of Directors of TVA, was debated.

Pages 3847-3854, 3859

Nominations: The following nominations were received: William L. Clayton, to be United States representative in the Economic Commission for Europe; Brig. Gen. Raymond W. Bliss, for appointment as The Surgeon General with the rank of major general; and Col. George E. Armstrong, as assistant to The Surgeon General with the rank of brigadier general.

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LABOR-FEDERAL SECURITY APPROPRIATION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on H. R. 2700, Labor-Federal Security appropriation bill, continued to "mark up" the bill preparatory to reporting it to the full committee. Subcommittee continues tomorrow.

ARMED SERVICE BILLS REPORTED

Committee on Armed Services: The following bills were ordered reported favorably to the Senate: H. R. 450, conveyance of Marblehead Military Reservation, amended; H. R. 1359, increase in officers of Navy Corps of Civil Engineers; H. R. 1363, Pay Readjustment Act amendment regarding annulled marriage; H. R. 1365, to establish Navy Chief of Chaplains permanently; H. R. 1367, to authorize \$30,000,000 for experimental submarines; H. R. 1368, to include civilians under naval government of Guam in the Missing Persons Act; H. R. 1369, to make permanent the positions of Under Secretary of the Navy and Under Secretary of War; H. R. 1381, to authorize officers and enlisted men to accept decorations, etc., from neutral nations; H. R. 1605, to establish date of appointment as commissioned officer in Regular Army; H. J. Res. 90, to correct error in Public Law 720 of Seventy-ninth Congress relating to composition of Naval Reserve; and H. J. Res. 116, relative to appointments to Naval Academy from enlisted men of Navy and Marine Corps.

HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: By a vote of 7 to 6, the committee ordered reported without amendment S. 866, to establish and carry out a national housing policy.

As reported, the 112-page bill would: (1) establish a National Housing Commission, (2) create the Federal Home Loan Bank Administration and FPHA, (3) direct the National Housing Administrator to provide a program of research, (4) supplement existing systems of mortgage insurance under the NHA, (5) add to the NHA "yield insurance system," rental housing for families of moderate means, (6) provide Federal aid to localities for acquisition and preparation of land for redevelopment, (7) authorize Federal contributions for low-rent housing, (8) provide Federal aid for rural housing, (9) provide for sale of permanent war housing and other Federally owned housing to a local public agency, and (10) vest administrative powers in National Housing Administrator and other administrators provided in the Act.

INCOME TAX REDUCTION

Committee on Finance: Hearings were continued on H. R. 1, to reduce individual income taxes, with Secretary of the Treasury John W. Snyder continuing his testimony, Assistant Commissioner of Internal Revenue W. T. Sherwood, and F. J. Lawton, Acting Assistant Bureau of Budget Director, all presenting the position of the Administration on the proposed measure. Hearings continue tomorrow.

FEDERAL JURY SYSTEM

Committee on the Judiciary: Holding hearings on three bills (S. 17, 18, and 19) to make improvements in the Federal jury system, subcommittee heard the following witnesses testify in support of the bills: Federal District Judges John C. Knox and Harry E. Watkins; United States District Court Judge James M. Proctor; and United States Circuit Judges John J. Parker, Orie L. Phillips, and Florence E. Allen; United States Tax Court Judge Marion J. Harron; Edward J. Dimock, New York State Bar Association; and Glenn R. Winters, American Judicature Society. Hearings continue tomorrow.

FEDERAL AID TO EDUCATION

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee on Education, continuing its hearings on bills to grant Federal aid to education (S. 81, S. 170, S. 199, and S. 472), heard: Dr. George Zook, American Council on Education, and Jesse P. Bogue, American Association of Junior Colleges, favor Federal aid but insist upon placing all control of education under the States; David I. Ashe, United Parents Associations of New York City; Mrs. Stanley G. Cook, National Congress of Parents and Teachers; and Samuel R. Levering, Friends Committee on National Legislation, favor Federal aid but oppose grants to nonpublic schools; and Elmer E. Rodgers, representing a Masonic organization, oppose Federal funds for education, particularly nonpublic schools.

STREAM POLLUTION

Committee on Public Works: Subcommittee on Flood Control and Rivers and Harbors continued hearings on S. 418, providing for stream-pollution control, with the following witnesses testifying in favor of the provisions of the bill: Oresto DiSaia, director of public welfare of Rhode Island; Walter Shea, sanitation engineer, Department of Health of Rhode Island; S. G. Read, Pollution Abatement Committee of Rhode Island; G. Douglas Andrews, chief engineer, Baltimore County Metropolitan District; Arthur D. Weston, chief sanitary engineer, Department of Public Health of Massachusetts; W. R. L. Taylor, State Commission of Stream Pollution in Ohio Valley, Cincinnati, Ohio; and Kenneth A. Reid, executive director, Izaak Walton League of America, Inc., Chicago, Ill. Hearings continue tomorrow.

SENATE ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS

Committee on Rules and Administration: In executive session the committee considered and disposed of administrative business. Committee is scheduled to meet next on May 14.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills introduced: Eleven public bills, H. R. 3172-3182; seven private bills, H. R. 3183-3189; and seven resolutions, H. Res. 194-195 and H. J. Res. 177-181, were introduced.

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Bills reported: Bills and resolutions were reported as follows:

H. Res. 194, waiving certain points of order in connection with consideration of H. R. 3123, the Interior Department appropriations for 1948 (H. Rept. 293);

H. R. 239, increasing pay of former members of Lighthouse Service (H. Rept. 294);

H. R. 2054, increasing retirement pay for certain members of former Life Saving Service (H. Rept. 295);

H. R. 2654, granting easement across Coast Guard station, Baltimore, Md. (H. Rept. 296);

S. 874, authorizing appointment of Lt. Comdr. Paul A. Smith to the Interim Council of the Provisional International Civil Aviation Organization (H. Rept. 297);

H. R. 84, amending Nationality Act of 1940 relating to American citizens who fought in enemy and Allied armies (H. Rept. 298); and

H. Res. 173, creating a Select Committee on Foreign Aid (H. Rept. 299).

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Coast Guard land: Passed by voice vote, S. 1009, extending time to purchase Coast Guard site at Fort Lauderdale, Fla.

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War relief: Concluded general debate on H. J. Res. 153, relief bill for war-devastated countries, and postponed final action on the measure until Monday, April 28.

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Reports on Committee Meetings

FARM PROGRAM

Committee on Agriculture: Continued open hearings on long-range farm program and heard John H. Davis, executive secretary, National Council of Farmer Cooperatives.

MILITARY

Committee on Armed Services: Personnel Subcommittee continued hearings on H. R. 2537, Navy promotion bill, and heard Rear Adm. Thomas L. Sprague, who testified in support of the bill. Hearings continue tomorrow.

Subcommittee on Posts and Stations completed hearings on H. R. 1341, authorizing a postgraduate school at Monterey, Calif., and heard Capt. Herman A. Spana-

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gel, who testified in behalf of the bill. Subcommittee ordered the bill favorably reported to the full committee.

Legal Subcommittee continued hearings on H. R. 2575, to amend the Articles of War, and heard Representative Burleson and Gen. Hubert Hoover. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

PERMANENT WAR HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: Continued open hearings on disposition of permanent war housing and heard Commissioner Dillon S. Myer, Federal Public Housing Administration.

RADIO

Committee on the District of Columbia: Held open hearings on H. R. 2984, regulating the installation of radio or television antenna masts or other structures, and heard Roy L. Byrd, Chillum Heights Citizens Association, who testified in favor of the bill; L. A. Meadows, president, Manor Park Citizens Association, who suggested an amendment; and William A. Roberts, counsel, Television Broadcasters Association, who testified in opposition to the bill.

STATE DEPARTMENT

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: State Department Subcommittee heard further testimony of William Benton, Assistant Secretary of State, who testified concerning the State Department's connection with UNESCO, the background in the field of international broadcasting, and his own private business holdings and investments.

HOUSE ADMINISTRATION

Committee on House Administration: Met in executive session.

INTERNATIONAL AIR CARRIERS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Continued public hearings on H. R. 2851, consolidation and merger of international air carriers, and heard Garrison Norton, Director, Office of Transport and Communications, State Department; William A. M. Burden, Assistant Secretary of Commerce; and Carter Fort, general counsel, Association of American Railroads, Washington, D. C.; and Hoyt Haddock, executive secretary, CIO Maritime Committee, Washington, D. C.

JUDICIAL

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 1 met in executive session to consider the "Holiday" bills. Also,

Representative Kefauver was heard in support of H. R. 1121 and H. R. 2524, relating to Presidential succession.

Subcommittee on Claims met to consider several private claims measures.

Subcommittee on Bankruptcy and Reorganization heard Representatives Phillips of California, and Lemke in support of bills to amend section 75 of the Bankruptcy Act. Subcommittee also heard Representative Boggs of Delaware, and Stewart Lynch, referee in bankruptcy, District of Delaware, in support of H. R. 1810, permitting part-time referees in bankruptcy to prosecute claims before the Government.

MERCHANT MARINE

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Met in executive session and ordered favorably reported to the House H. R. 239, increasing pay of former members of Lighthouse Service; H. R. 2054, increasing retirement pay for certain members of former Life Saving Service; H. R. 2654, granting easement across Coast Guard station, Baltimore, Md.; H. R. 673, repealing provisions for priorities in transportation by merchant vessels during national emergency; and S. 874, authorizing appointment of Lt. Comdr. Paul A. Smith to the Interim Council of the Provisional International Civil Aviation Organization.

VETERANS' PREFERENCE

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Vursell Subcommittee met in executive session and ordered favorably reported to the full committee H. R. 966, veterans' preference.

ALASKA STATEHOOD

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Territorial and Insular Affairs held hearings on H. R. 206 and H. R. 1808, statehood for Alaska, and heard C. M. Granger, Department of Agriculture, who discussed provisions of bills relating to national forests; Jack McCord, McCord, Alaska, who opposed statehood at this time; Charles E. Kellogg, Department of Agriculture, who discussed agricultural land available; Emil Hurja, who testified in favor of statehood; Fred W. Packard, National Park Association, who testified in favor of retaining national parks and monuments; Robert Atwood, editor and publisher, Anchorage Daily Times, Anchorage, Alaska; Welch Pogue, attorney and former chairman of the Civil Aeronautics Association, Washington, D. C.; Chat Patterson, legislative representative, AVC; Steve Larrison Homer, president, Veterans' Cooperative Alaska Co., Washington, D. C.; and Don Carlos Brownell, member of the Alaska Territorial Senate. All testified in favor of the bill. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

GAO

Committee on Public Works: Subcommittee on Public Buildings and Grounds held hearings on H. R. 3030, construction of a building for the General Accounting Office, and heard Hon. Lindsay C. Warren, Comptroller General; and Frank L. Yates, Assistant Comptroller General, who testified in favor of the bill. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

RULES

Committee on Rules: Considered H. R. 3123, Department of Interior appropriations. Mr. Jones, of Ohio, and Mr. Fenton, of Pennsylvania, asked for a rule waiving points of order on the language on page 50, lines 13-21, inclusive, and page 81, lines 1-9, inclusive, regarding the location of an anthracite research laboratory. The rule asked for was granted. H. R. 49, statehood for Hawaii, was taken up and Mr. Farrington testified. Hearings will be continued at a later date. S. 814, price support for wool, was considered and Mr. Hope, with members of the Committee on Agriculture and other Members of Congress interested in this bill, testified. Action by the committee was deferred until a later date. The committee ordered favorably reported H. Res. 173, to create a Select Committee on Foreign Aid. An open rule providing 2 hours of general debate on H. R. 2780, amending section 502 (a) of the act entitled "An act to expedite the provision of housing in connection with national defense, and for other purposes," was ordered reported by the committee.

VETERANS

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Held open hearings on various bills authorizing automobiles for amputees, and heard Representative Clason in support of H. R. 1039; Charles Stephens, American Legion, in support of H. R. 289; and John C. Williamson, VFW, in support of H. R. 2741. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

RECIPROCAL TRADE

Committee on Ways and Means: Continued open hearings on reciprocal trade agreements and heard Edward A. O'Neal, president, American Farm Bureau Federation, Washington, D. C.; and Philip D. Reed, chairman of the board, General Electric Co., New York, N. Y., both of whom testified in favor of reciprocal trade agreements. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

REPORT ON JOINT COMMITTEE MEETINGS

PORTAL-TO-PORTAL PAY BILL

Conferees on H. R. 2157, portal-to-portal pay bill, met in executive session but failed to reach agreement. Next meeting will be on Tuesday, April 29.

Thursday, April 24, 1947

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed first deficiency appropriation bill and confirmed nomination of Gordon Clapp; House concluded general debate on Interior Department appropriations bill.

Seventeen bills reported to Senate.

Civil-service retirement bill approved by Senate Group.

Bills on Agriculture, Veterans, and Postal Service ordered reported to House.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 3895-3905.

Bills introduced: Seven bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1158-S. 1164, and S. J. Res. 104 and S. J. Res. 105. Pages 3897-3898

Bills reported: Bills and resolutions were reported, as follows:

H. R. 450, conveyance of Marblehead Military Reservation, amended (S. Rept. 126);

H. R. 1359, increase in officers of Navy Corps of Civil Engineers (S. Rept. 127);

H. R. 1369, to make permanent the positions of Under Secretary of the Navy and Under Secretary of War (S. Rept. 128);

H. R. 1363, Pay Readjustment Act amendment regarding annulled marriages (S. Rept. 129).

H. R. 1365, to establish Navy Chief of Chaplains permanently (S. Rept. 130);

H. R. 1367, to authorize \$30,000,000 for experimental submarines (S. Rept. 131);

H. J. Res. 116, relative to appointments to Naval Academy from enlisted men of Navy and Marine Corps (S. Rept. 132);

H. R. 1368, to include civilians under naval government of Guam in the Missing Persons Act (S. Rept. 133);

H. R. 1381, to authorize officers and enlisted men to accept decorations, etc., from neutral nations (S. Rept. 134);

H. R. 1605, to establish date of appointment as commissioned officer in Regular Army (S. Rept. 135);

H. J. Res. 90, to correct error in Public Law 720 of Seventy-ninth Congress relating to composition of Naval Reserve (S. Rept. 136);

S. 640, to authorize the Secretary of Commerce to sell certain property at E. Lansing, Mich. (S. Rept. 137);

S. J. Res. 102, to permit communications carriers to accord free communication privileges to participants in world telecommunications conferences (S. Rept. 138);

H. R. 2123, to fix compensation of locomotive inspectors (S. Rept. 139);

S. 866, to establish and carry out a national housing policy (S. Rept. 140);

S. 554, to provide for a census of manufactures (S. Rept. 141); and

H. R. 2758, relating to the policing of the Washington National Airport (S. Rept. 142). Page 3897

First deficiency appropriation: By voice vote H. R. 2849, first deficiency appropriation bill, with amendments, was passed, carrying a total appropriation of \$2,835,199,009. The following amendments, together with the committee amendments, were adopted: On motion of Senator Brooks an additional amount of \$2,605,000 for unemployment compensation; on motion of Senator O'Mahoney an additional \$5,000 for the Indian Claims Commission; on motion of Senator Langer the limitation on funds for transportation of foreign mail was increased by \$5,000; on motion of Senator Bridges \$408,743 for annuities for employees of the Panama Canal. An amendment by Senator Eastland directing the Secretary of War to take steps to prevent further dismantling of fertilizer plants in Germany, was defeated, a point of order against legislation in an appropriation bill by Senator Knowland having been sustained by the Chair. Senate asked for a conference on the measure and appointed as conferees: Senators Bridges, Brooks, Gurney, Ball, McKellar, Hayden, and Tydings. Pages 3917-3935

TVA nomination: Debated and confirmed, by a vote of 36 yeas to 31 nays, nomination of Gordon R. Clapp, to be a member of the Board of Directors of TVA. Senator Hill moved to reconsider the vote; Senator

Tobey moved to lay the motion on the table, which was adopted by 35 yeas to 30 nays, prohibiting reconsideration of the nomination. **Pages 3905-3917, 3940-3943**

Postal leave: Senate concurred in the House amendments to S. 547, regarding leave for rural mail carriers, clearing the bill for the President. **Pages 3935-3936**

RFC: On motion of Senator Tobey, H. R. 2535, amending the RFC Act, to aid small business, was taken from the Calendar and returned to the Committee on Banking and Currency. **Page 3900**

Sugar agreement: After brief debate, the protocol prolonging the international agreement regarding the regulation of production and marketing of sugar (Executive E), was ratified. **Pages 3943-3944**

Confirmations: The following nominations were confirmed: George W. Foltz, United States district judge of Alaska; Charles L. Spillers, United States attorney for the northern district of West Virginia; Rear Adm. Alfred M. Pride, Chief, Navy Bureau of Aeronautics; 483 Navy nominations, 824 appointments in the Army, and 1 in the Marine Corps. **Pages 3943-3947**

Nominations: The following nominations were received: Robert E. Thomason, of Texas, to be district judge for the Western District of Texas; Bryce R. Holt, to be United States attorney for the Middle District of North Carolina; Charles A. Robinson, for appointment to the District of Columbia Redevelopment Land Agency; Luis N. Fernandez, to be attorney general of Puerto Rico; and the graduating class of the Naval Academy totaling 461 Naval and Marine Corps appointments. **Pages 3944-3945**

Double taxation: Treaty on double taxation with the Union of South Africa was received and referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations. **Pages 3936-3945**

Reports on Committee Meetings

LABOR-FEDERAL SECURITY APPROPRIATION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on H. R. 2700, Labor-Federal Security appropriation, completed "marking up" the bill and will present it to the full committee at the next meeting.

NATIONAL DEFENSE ESTABLISHMENT

Committee on Armed Services: Committee continued hearings on S. 758, to create a National Defense Establishment, with Gen. A. A. Vandegrift concluding his testimony. Melvin J. Maas, former Representative from Minnesota, appeared in opposition to the measure. He requested that if the bill is to be passed, it should be amended by setting forth the specific functions of the Marine Corps; he called attention to the fact that the success of the amphibious operations during the war was due to the study of such operations that had been made

by the Marine Corps over a period of many years. A letter to the chairman from former Secretary of War Stimson, in support of the legislation, was inserted in the record. Hearings continue tomorrow.

CIVIL SERVICE RETIREMENT

Committee on Civil Service: By a vote of 8 to 1, the committee ordered reported the Committee Print of S. 637, to liberalize the civil-service retirement system, with amendment.

The main provisions of the committee print are mentioned in Daily Digest, page D56; the main changes from the committee print as approved today are as follows: (1) It provides an option for employees with 5 years service who are separated involuntarily similar to that provided for those with 10 years or more service in S. 637; (2) it provides for the payment of interest to those involuntarily separated under 5 years; (3) provisions 1 and 2 are not granted to those who are voluntarily separated; and (4) it changes the age in the Committee Print from 65 to 62 for those separated from the service who elect to receive a deferred annuity.

Committee meets on Tuesday, April 29, on postal rates.

SURPLUS PROPERTY

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Subcommittee on Surplus Property met with several officials of the War Assets Administration to discuss why the sale of the Wright Aeronautical plant at Cincinnati, even after the set date for the sale had arrived, was called off because officials in Washington could not agree as to whether the plant should or should not be sold. The committee at its meeting this morning, in questioning the WAA officials, was trying to establish the responsibility for calling off the sale. Committee meets again Tuesday, April 29.

INCOME TAX REDUCTION

Committee on Finance: Hearings on H. R. 1, to reduce individual income taxes, were continued with Levi P. Smith, president, Burlington Savings Bank, Burlington, Vt.; and John T. Hanes, chairman of the board of trustees of the Tax Foundation, and former Under Secretary of the Treasury, testifying. Mr. Smith told the committee: "It would seem that the suggested tax relief, if combined with a consistent plan for debt retirement and balanced off by a continued and increasing promotion of the savings-bond program, must be the line most likely to enlist the overwhelming popular support necessary to the successful solution of this vital problem." Mr. Hanes said: "The enactment of H. R. 1 by the Congress in no way precludes a thorough-going revision of our entire tax system. Therefore, I support wholeheartedly the program of cutting spending to the limit as voted by the Congress, of cutting taxes as proposed by H. R. 1, and

of applying to debt reduction the surplus that will result therefrom." Hearings continue tomorrow.

INTERSTATE COMMERCE BILLS APPROVED

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: In executive session the committee reported the following bills: H. R. 2123, to fix compensation of locomotive inspectors; H. R. 2758, relating to the policing of the Washington National Airport; S. 640, to authorize the Secretary of Commerce to sell certain property at East Lansing, Mich.; and S. J. Res. 102, to permit communications carriers to accord free communication privileges to participants in world telecommunications conferences.

Subcommittee hearings on S. 734 and S. 1028, to amend the Natural Gas Act, relative to transportation of natural gas, originally scheduled for April 25, have been postponed until April 29.

FEDERAL JURY SYSTEM

Committee on the Judiciary: Continuing hearings on three bills (S. 17, S. 18, and S. 19) to make improvements in the Federal jury system, subcommittee heard the following witnesses testify in support of the bill: Tom C. Clark, Attorney General; Joseph R. Farrington, Delegate from Hawaii; Mrs. Harold A. Stone, vice president, League of Women Voters; John E. F. Wood, New York City Bar Association; Margaret L. Plunkett, Assistant to the Chief of the Women's Bureau, Department of Labor; and James J. Laughlin, an attorney from Washington. Joseph B. Keenan, attorney, Washington; and Usher L. Burdick, former Congressman, opposed the measures. Subcommittee meets tomorrow on the nomination of Mar-

vin Jones, to be chief justice of the United States Court of Claims.

FEDERAL AID TO EDUCATION

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Continuing hearings on bills to grant Federal aid to education (S. 81, S. 170, S. 199, and S. 472), the subcommittee heard: Joseph F. Landis, president, and Irvin Kuenzli, secretary-treasurer, American Federation of Teachers; AFL; Selma Borchardt, American Federation of Labor; Kermit Eby, director of research and education, Congress of Industrial Organizations; and Sara T. Walsh, director, national teachers division of the United Public Workers of America, CIO, favor Federal aid for public education to equalize educational advantages and to give increase in salaries to teachers. Miss Walsh, however, specifically opposed any funds for nonpublic schools. Committee continues tomorrow.

STREAM POLLUTION

Committee on Public Works: Senator Green, of Rhode Island, and Edwin R. Cotton, Interstate Commission on Potomac River Basin, testified before Subcommittee on Flood Control and Rivers and Harbors in support of S. 418, to provide for control of stream pollution. S. S. Friel, president, Federation of Sewerage Work Associations, Philadelphia, appeared to support the measure, but felt that control should be by States rather than by the Federal Government. Committee meets next on this measure on April 30. Full committee meets tomorrow in executive session.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills introduced: Fourteen public bills, H. R. 3190-3203; four private bills, H. R. 3204-3207; and four resolutions, H. Res. 196-198 and H. J. Res. 182, were introduced. **Page 4012**

Bills reported: Bills and resolutions were reported, as follows:

H. Res. 182, authorizing payment of funeral expenses and 6 months' salary to the widow of the late R. C. Hicks, House employee (H. Rept. 300);

H. Res. 191, authorizing appropriations for \$60,000 for expenses incurred for investigations by the House Select Committee on Small Business (H. Rept. 301);

H. R. 1874, amending act providing Federal aid to the States for rural post-road construction by extending availability period of postwar highway funds (H. Rept. 302);

H. R. 3029, authorizing new building for United States Court of Appeals and Federal District Court to be built in the District of Columbia (H. Rept. 303);

H. R. 3190, authorizing revision of United States Code, Crimes and Criminal Procedure (H. Rept. 304). **Pages 4011-4012**

Salary—Funeral expenses: Considered and agreed to H. Res. 182, authorizing payment of funeral expenses and 6 months' salary to the widow of the late R. C. Hicks, House employee. **Page 3947**

Small business: Considered and agreed to H. Res. 191, authorizing expenditure of \$60,000 for investigations to be conducted by the House Select Committee on Small Business. **Page 3947**

Interior Department appropriations: Considered and agreed to H. Res. 194, a rule waiving certain points

of order in connection with consideration of H. R. 3123, the Interior Department appropriation bill, 1948.

The House, in Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union, completed general debate on this measure, after more than 4 hours spent therein.

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INSECTICIDES

Committee on Agriculture: Met in executive session and ordered favorably reported, with amendments, H. R. 1237, marketing of insecticides.

MILITARY

Committee on Armed Services: Personnel Subcommittee continued hearings on H. R. 2537, Navy promotion bill, and heard Commander D. L. Martineau, who testified in support of the bill. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

Legal Subcommittee continued hearings on H. R. 2575, to amend the Articles of War, and heard Gen. Hubert Hoover, of the Judge Advocate General's Department; and William A. Roberts, AMVETS. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

Organization Subcommittee held hearings on H. R. 3049, extension of Export Control Act, and heard Thomas Blaisdell, Jr., Commerce Department; N. E. Dodd, Department of Agriculture; and Col. Tyler Wood, of the State Department. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

PERMANENT WAR HOUSING—RENT CONTROL

Committee on Banking and Currency: Held hearings on the disposition of permanent war housing under the Lanham Act, and heard Dillon S. Myer, Commissioner, Federal Public Housing Administration. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

Met in executive session and ordered favorably reported a new bill on housing and rent control.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA HEALTH

Committee on the District of Columbia: Subcommittee on Health, Education and Recreation held hearings on H. R. 2072, prohibiting the serving of unsanitary drinking straws, and heard Max Weinberg, who testified in favor of the bill; Dr. George C. Rubland, health officer for the District of Columbia; Dr. Everett Cummings, head of the Department of Communicable Disease for the District, both of whom stated that such legislation is not necessary; and Dr. Julian Pollard, People's Drug Store, who testified in opposition to the bill.

NATIONAL SECURITY ACT OF 1947

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Held open hearings on H. R. 2319, National Security Act of 1947, and heard Secretary of War Pat-

erson and Secretary of the Navy Forrestal. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

ASSISTANCE TO GREECE AND TURKEY

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Met in executive session on drafting the report on H. R. 2616, assistance to Greece and Turkey.

HOUSE ADMINISTRATION

Committee on House Administration: Met in executive session and ordered favorably reported H. Res. 191, authorizing appropriation of \$60,000 for expenses incurred for investigations by the House Select Committee on Small Business; S. Con. Res. 9, authorizing the printing of 2,000 additional copies of the report entitled "Survey of Experience in Profit Sharing and Possibilities of Incentive Taxation"; H. Con. Res. 31, authorizing the printing of 10,000 additional copies of the committee print entitled "United States versus Economic Concentration and Monopoly"; H. Con. Res. 35, authorizing the printing of 1,500 additional copies of the Postwar Foreign Economic Policy of the United States.

INTERNATIONAL AIR CARRIERS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Held open hearings on consolidation and merger of international air carriers, and heard Hon. William A. Pauley, United States Ambassador to Brazil; and Edward J. Hickey, Jr., Special Assistant to the Attorney General, Department of Justice.

FISH AND SHELLFISH PROBLEMS

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Subcommittee on Salt Water Fish and Shellfish Problems held hearings on current operations of the *Pacific Explorer* and heard Donald Loker, French Sardine Co.; and Phil Fairbanks, Sun Harbor Fisheries. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

POSTAL—VETERANS

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Held executive session and ordered favorably reported, with amendment, H. R. 1203, providing compensation to persons performing the duties of postmasters at post offices of the fourth class during annual and sick leave of such postmasters; H. R. 2229, providing that fourth-class postmasters, appointed in the classified civil service, whose offices advance to a higher class, and postmasters of other classes whose offices are relegated to the fourth class, shall continue to serve in their original appointment until a vacancy occurs by reason of death, resignation, retirement, or removal; and H. R. 966, amends Veterans' Preference Act, with amendments.

ALASKA STATEHOOD—RECLAMATION

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Territorial and Insular Affairs continued hearings on H. R.

206 and H. R. 1808, statehood for Alaska, and heard Major Cowart, who formerly served with the Army in Alaska; and Hon. Ernest Gruening, Governor of Alaska, both of whom testified in favor of the bill.

Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation held hearings on H. R. 1977, H. R. 2873, H. R. 2874, and H. R. 2583, to amend the Reclamation Project Act, and heard Don McBride, and E. W. Rising, National Reclamation Association, both of whom testified in favor of H. R. 2873.

GAO

Committee on Public Works: Subcommittee on Public Buildings and Grounds held hearings on H. R. 3030, construction of a building for the General Accounting Office, and heard Frank L. Yates, Assistant Comptroller General; Allen Johnstone, general counsel, Federal Works Agency; and H. G. Hunter, Assistant Commissioner of Public Buildings. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

VETERANS

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Held hearings on various measures relating to automobiles for amputee veterans and heard Quintus E. Camp, Disabled American Veterans; Robert McLaughlin, AMVETS; Representative Philbin, who spoke in support of H. R. 1449; and William Floyd, national commander, Regular Veterans Association. Committee also ordered favorably reported H. R. 2181, on-the-farm-training bill.

RECIPROCAL TRADE

Committee on Ways and Means: Continued open hearings on reciprocal trade agreements and heard Robert Martin, executive secretary, Vitified Chinaware Association, Washington, D. C.; Carl J. Uhrmann, American Glassware Association, New York, N. Y.; Russell B. Brown, Independent Petroleum Association of America, Washington, D. C.; C. T. Murchison, president, the Cotton-Textile Institute, New York, N. Y.; and Joseph C. Mahoney, Soft Fibre Manufacturers Institute, New York, N. Y. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

Friday, April 25, 1947

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate debated labor bill, adopting technical amendments; House passed Interior Department 1948 appropriation bill.

Ten public land bills, including one on National Minerals Division, ordered reported to House.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 4013-4015.

Bills introduced: Seven bills and one resolution were introduced as follows: S. 1165-S. 1171 and S. J. Res. 106. Page 4014

Bills reported: Bills and resolutions were reported, as follows:

S. 637, to amend the Civil Service Retirement Act, liberalizing certain retirement provisions (S. Rept. 143);

S. 980, to authorize the Capitol Police Board to determine traffic regulations on Capitol Grounds (S. Rept. 144). Page 4014

Labor legislation: Continued debate on S. 1126, labor bill. Senator Taft's amendments correcting certain clerical and technical errors were adopted. Pages 4015-4038

Coast Guard: On motion of Senator Revercomb, S. 1023, giving Coast Guard personnel exemption from paying toll on Golden Gate Bridge, was taken from the Calendar and returned to the Committee on Public Works. Page 4014

Confirmation: Nomination of William L. Clayton, Under Secretary of State, was confirmed as United States representative in the Economic Commission for Europe. Page 4027

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NATIONAL DEFENSE ESTABLISHMENT

Committee on Armed Services: Continued hearings on S. 758, to create a National Defense Establishment, committee heard Rear Adm. Clifford A. Swanson, Surgeon General of the Navy, emphasize that the agreements of the Secretary of War and the Secretary of Navy constituting the basis of the bill have as their foundation the integration of effort by coordination, not consolidation, and, in personal comments in opposition to the personal plan presented recently by Maj. Gen. Norman T. Kirk, Surgeon General of the Army, declared that General Kirk's proposal for creation of a single and powerful supermedical organization would result in a total fusion of the medical services that would cause lasting confusion and conflict. Maj. Gen. Malcolm C. Grow,

Air Surgeon, AAF, likewise pointed out defects in General Kirk's plan. Committee meets again Tuesday, April 29.

SAN DIEGO AQUEDUCT

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: In executive session, subcommittee considered legislation on San Diego aqueduct and instructed its staff as to the preparation of a report to be submitted to the full committee. It is hoped to get action on this issue on May 1 when the full committee meets on Calendar business.

INCOME TAX REDUCTION

Committee on Finance: In open hearings on H. R. 1, to reduce individual income taxes, H. E. Hemphries, Jr. (assisted by Dr. Ralph Robey), representing NAM; Stanley H. Ruttenberg, Department of Research and Education of the CIO; and Russ Nixon, United Electrical, Radio, and Machine Workers of America, testified. Mr. Hemphries devoted his remarks to some matters of general taxation doctrine and procedure, and to some of the specific criticisms that have been directed against H. R. 1, as amended. Mr. Ruttenberg said careful attention should be given to a complete re-examination of our entire tax structure. "The passage of H. R. 1, in its present form, places a serious tax burden on the low-income taxpayer," he said, adding that "the CIO recommendations for a well-rounded tax program has as its fundamental thesis the maximizing of purchasing power." Mr. Nixon supported the full program for general tax reduction proposed by the CIO.

Hearings continue Monday, April 28. Subcommittee on Veterans will meet on May 5 to hold hearings on all veterans' bills pending before it.

WAR RELIEF

Committee on Foreign Relations: In executive session, committee conducted an informal discussion of H. J. Res. 153, authorizing \$350,000,000 for relief of the people of countries devastated by the war.

UNITED STATES COURT OF CLAIMS JUDGESHIP

Committee on the Judiciary: In open hearings, the committee heard the following witnesses testify in support of the nomination of Marvin Jones, to be chief justice of the United States Court of Claims: Marvin Jones; Judge Ben. H. Littleton, Court of Claims; Ernest Wilkinson, Washington attorney; Richard Doyle, District of Columbia Bar Association; Tom Clark, Attorney General; and A. Devitt Vanech, Special Assistant to Attorney General.

Judge William Clark, of New Jersey, testified against the nomination.

FEDERAL AID TO EDUCATION

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee holding hearings on bills to grant Federal aid to education (S. 81, S. 170, S. 199, and S. 472) heard: Rev. William E. McManus, department of education, National Catholic Welfare Conference, Washington, favor equalization of school opportunities and raising the level of teachers' salaries, as well as aid for essential services to all school children; Rabbi Stephen S. Wise, American Jewish Congress (testimony read by Dr. David Petegorsky), favor equalizing educational opportunities, but oppose all sections of the bills granting aid to private schools; Eleanor Neff, women's division of Christian Service, Methodist Church, New York, oppose provisions of bills which would permit Federal aid to nonpublic schools; and Dr. Frederick C. Fowler, National Association of Evangelicals, Pittsburgh, oppose use of tax money for assistance to nonpublic schools, and generally against all legislation providing Federal aid to education. Hearings continue Monday, April 28.

CAPITOL GROUNDS

Committee on Public Works: In executive session, the committee reported S. 980, to authorize the Capitol Police Board to determine traffic regulations on Capitol Grounds.

On Wednesday, April 30, hearings continue on S. 418, stream-pollution bill.

H. Res. 199, rule granting 2 hours' debate and subsequent consideration for amendments on H. R. 2780, an act to expedite the provision of housing in connection with national defense (H. Rept. 305);

H. R. 2229, amending act of June 25, 1938, relating to appointment of postmasters under civil service (H. Rept. 306);

H. R. 1742, for relief of Mary Lomas (H. Rept. 307);

H. R. 3214, authorizing revision of the United States Code, title 28, Judicial Code and Judiciary (H. Rept. 308);

H. R. 174, amending act providing for civil government of Alaska, permitting gold and precious-metal exploration of navigable streams therein (H. Rept. 309);

H. R. 2353, authorizing patenting of certain public lands, for public-park purposes, to the state of Montana (H. Rept. 310);

H. R. 2455, establishing National Minerals Resources Division in Interior Department (H. R. 311);

H. R. 2573, authorizing Director of the United States Geological Survey to sell copies of aerial or other photographs to general public (H. Rept. 312);

H. R. 1237, providing Federal regulation of marketing of economic poisons and devices (H. Rept. 313);

H. R. 2616, providing relief assistance to Greece and Turkey (H. Rept. 314);

H. R. 966, amending Veterans' Preference Act of 1944, relative to corrective action recommended by Civil Service Commission to be taken against dismissed or suspended veterans (H. Rept. 315); and

H. R. 1203, providing compensation to substitutes of fourth-class postmasters during official leave-taking of such postmasters (H. Rept. 316). Pages 4114-4115

First deficiency appropriations: The House disagreed to Senate amendments to H. R. 2849 (first deficiency appropriations for 1947), agreed to conference, and appointed Representatives Taber, Wigglesworth, Engel (Michigan), Stefan, Case (South Dakota), Keefe, Cannon, Kerr, and Mahon as House conferees. Page 4113

Rent control: Mr. Wolcott was granted permission to file, by midnight, April 26, a report on H. R. 3203, relating to maximum rents on housing accommodations. Minority views will also be incorporated in this report, which, when filed, will carry House Report No. 317. Page 4113

Interior Department appropriations: In a 9½-hour session, the House completed consideration of H. R. 3123, providing funds for Department of Interior in fiscal year 1948, adopted numerous committee amendments, rejected a motion by Mr. Kirwan to recommit with instructions to amend by a vote of 140 to 197, and by a vote of 307 yeas to 30 nays passed the measure and sent it to the Senate. Pages 4040-4113

Reports on Committee Meetings

FARM PROGRAM

Committee on Agriculture: Continued hearings on long-range farm program and heard Albert S. Goss, master, the National Grange. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

MILITARY

Committee on Armed Services: Organization Subcommittee continued hearings on H. R. 3049, extension of

Export Control Act and heard Robert Johnson, Office of Housing Expediter; Dyke Cullum, president, National Commodities Corporation; Francis McIntyre, Department of Commerce, F. F. Estes, executive secretary, Coal Exporters, and George L. Reid, Office of Housing Expediter.

Legal Subcommittee continued hearings on H. R. 2575, to amend the Articles of War and heard Hon. Kenneth C. Royall, Under Secretary of War; and Lt. Gen. J. Lawton Collins.

PERMANENT WAR HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: Continued open hearings on disposition of permanent war housing and heard Dillon S. Myer, Commissioner, Federal Public Housing Administration; and Wesley D. Pierce, Veterans of Foreign Wars.

NATIONAL SECURITY ACT OF 1947—SURPLUS

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Continued hearings on H. R. 2319, and heard Secretary of the Navy Forrestal and Capt. W. G. Lalor, Secretary to the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

Subcommittee on Surplus Property continued hearings on contract between Palmer Bolt & Nut Co., Inc., of Detroit, Mich., and the War Assets Administration, and heard Lester Arwin, Palmer Bolt & Nut Co., Inc., Detroit, Mich.; and Charles Fineberg, Argo Merchandising Corp., Detroit, Mich. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

COMMERCE

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Met in open session and Representatives Buck, O'Hara, Van Zandt, Bennett (Missouri), Miller (Connecticut), Wolverton, and Boykin were heard on bills pending before the committee.

JUDICIAL

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 4 met in executive session on H. R. 1639, amending the Employers' Liability Act so as to limit venue. Action by the subcommittee was deferred until a later date.

Subcommittee on Immigration and Naturalization continued open hearings on H. R. 2933, amending the Immigration Act to give the Attorney General discretion to suspend the deportation of certain aliens, and heard C. E. Babcock, representing the Junior Order of United American Mechanics; George Washington Williams, of Baltimore, Md., representing Maryland Society, War of 1812; Dr. Mubarek Ali Kahn, representing the India Welfare League; Edward J. Ennis, representing the American Civil Liberties Union of New York; Joshua S. Koenigsberg, representing the Association of Immigration and Nationality Lawyers of New York City; and Warren W. Grimes, attorney, Washington, D. C.

Subcommittee on Patents, Trade-Marks, and Copyrights held hearings on H. R. 2520, to fix the fees pay-

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills introduced: Fifteen public bills, H. R. 3208-3222; four private bills, H. R. 3223-3226; and three resolutions, H. Res. 199, and H. J. Res. 183 and 184, were introduced. Page 4115

Bills reported: Bills and resolutions were reported, as follows:

able to the Patent Office, etc., and heard P. J. Federico of the United States Patent Office, who testified in support of the bill; and Representatives Schwabe and Foote, who testified in opposition to the bill.

FISH AND SHELLFISH PROBLEMS

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Subcommittee on Salt Water Fish and Shellfish Problems continued hearings on the current operations of the *Pacific Explorer* and heard Phil Fairbanks, Sun Harbor Packing Co.; and Arch Ekdale, attorney, San Pedro Fish Cannery. Hearings continue tomorrow.

PUBLIC LAND

Committee on Public Lands: Met to consider various bills reported from subcommittees, and full committee ordered favorably reported to the House the following: H. R. 1146, H. R. 1148, H. R. 1483, H. R. 1486, H. R. 2097, and H. R. 2151, legislation relative to Indians; H. R. 174, relative to mining in Alaska; H. R. 2353, authorizing transfer of lands for park purposes to Hill County, Mont.; H. R. 2455, establishing National Minerals Resources Division in the Department of the Interior; and H. R. 2573, Geological Survey to sell aerial photographs, photostatic copies, etc.

GAO

Committee on Public Works: Subcommittee on Public Buildings and Grounds continued hearings on H. R. 3030, construction of a building for the General Accounting Office, and heard Rear Adm. John J. Manning, Chief, Bureau of Yards and Docks; Brig. Gen. John S. Bragdon, Corps of Engineers; and Lt. Col. Douglas Mapes and Hoyt W. Randolph, Space Control Office, Military District of Washington.

VETERANS

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Subcommittee on Hospitals held hearings on H. Con. Res. 26 and H. J. Res. 171, Schick Hospital, Clinton, Iowa, and heard Representative Van Zandt on H. J. Res. 171; John M. Banker, Iowa and Illinois United Veterans Hospitals Organization; and Maj. Gen. Paul R. Hawley, medical director, Veterans' Administration, on H. Con. Res. 26.

Subcommittee on Education, Training, and Rehabilitation held hearings on H. R. 1385 and H. R. 2106, relating to Gold Star Mothers, and heard Mrs. Marie Jordan, president, Gold Star Wives, Mrs. Dorothy Abdill and Mrs. Helen Gooden, of Gold Star Wives, all of whom testified in support of the bills; and Frank Sullivan, DAV, who presented a resolution on the bills.

RECIPROCAL TRADE

Committee on Ways and Means: Continued hearings on reciprocal trade agreements and heard C. B. J. Molitor, American Lace Manufacturers Association, Providence, R. I.; Arthur Besse, president, National Association of Wool Manufacturers, New York, N. Y.; Kenneth W. Marriner of Francis Willey Co., Boston, Mass.; Arthur M. Klurfeld, executive secretary, Handkerchief Industry Association, Inc., New York, N. Y.; Fletcher H. Montgomery, chairman, tariff committee, Hat Institute, Inc., New York, N. Y., all of whom were opposed to further tariff reductions. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

BILL SIGNED BY THE PRESIDENT

(New Law)

H. R. 731, establishing the Theodore Roosevelt National Park. Signed April 25, 1947 (Public Law 38).

Monday, April 28, 1947

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate debated labor bill; House continued consideration of war relief measure.

Bills on Labor-Federal Security appropriations, Federal Reserve bank guarantee of loans, veterans' housing, and gambling ships approved by Senate groups.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 4115-4130.

Bills Introduced: Four bills and three resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1172-S. 1175; S. J. Res. 107, 108, and S. Res. 108.

Pages 4121-4122

Bills Reported: Bills and resolutions were reported, as follows: S. 408, to authorize Federal Reserve banks to guarantee financial institutions against loss on loans made to a business enterprise if maturity date is not more than 10 years (S. Rept. 145); and H. R. 2700, Labor-Federal Security appropriation (S. Rept. 146).

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Bill Referred: H. R. 3123, Interior Department appropriation bill, was referred to the Appropriations Committee.

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Daylight Saving: Senate concurred in the House amendments to S. 736, authorizing the D. C. Commissioners to establish daylight saving time in the District of Columbia.

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Bills Passed: Senate passed S. J. Res. 107, to permit the employment of former Senator Burton K. Wheeler by the Special Committee to Investigate the National Defense Program. The resolution carries a proviso to meet the objections raised in the veto message of the President, April 23, when he vetoed S. J. Res. 97. Senator Ferguson later entered a motion to reconsider the passage of S. J. Res. 107.

Senate also passed S. J. Res. 102, to permit communications carriers to accord free communication privileges to participants in world telecommunications conferences.

Pages 4123-4127, 4152

Labor Legislation: The Senate continued debate on S. 1126, labor bill. Senator Morse moved to recommit the bill to the Committee on Labor and Public Welfare with instructions to strike out Title II, Mediation and Emergencies; Title III, Suits by and Against Labor Organizations; and Title IV, Creation of a Joint Committee to Study and Report on Basic Problems Affecting Friendly Relations and Productivity, and to report these three titles as separate bills not later than May 2.

Pages 4131-4150

Nominations: Four nominations in the Diplomatic and Foreign Service were received, together with 240 appointments in the Navy.

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Reports on Committee Meetings

LABOR-FEDERAL SECURITY APPROPRIATION

Committee on Appropriations: Reported H. R. 2700, Labor-Federal Security appropriation, proposing a total appropriation of \$1,676,198,080. This is a net reduction of \$8,388,700 under the bill as passed by the House. It is \$103,415,959 under the estimates for 1948, and exceeds the appropriations for 1947 by \$365,376,207. The bill is made up mostly of grants-in-aid and benefit payments, which total about 92 percent of the total amount.

FEDERAL RESERVE GUARANTEED LOANS AND VETERANS HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: In executive session the committee ordered reported the following three bills, with amendments: (1) S. 408, to authorize Federal Reserve banks to guarantee financial institutions against loss on loans made to a business enterprise if maturity date is not more than 10 years. The committee proposed and approved the following three amendments to the bill: (a) "When it appears to the satisfaction of such Federal Reserve bank that the business

enterprise is unable to obtain requisite financial assistance on a reasonable basis from the usual sources." (b) "Chartered banking institutions only, and not to any financing institutions." (c) "Time limit of five years. After five years they will have no further authority to make commitments or guarantee loans. However, any loan made up to that time can be for the regular ten-year period which the bill subscribes."

(2) S. 854, to authorize additional funds for housing units for distressed families of servicemen, contracted for or under construction, with an amendment to provide for an additional 35 million instead of the proposed 50 million. This is the same language embodied in H. R. 2780, as reported to the House.

(3) S. 1154, to amend the Veterans' Emergency Housing Act of 1946 by striking out "400 million" and inserting in lieu thereof "100 million."

Reports on these bills are expected to be filed sometime during the week.

INCOME TAX REDUCTION

Committee on Finance: Five witnesses testified on H. R. 1, to reduce individual income taxes: Ellsworth C. Alvord, representing the United States Chamber of Commerce, urged "the approval of H. R. 1 and reduction of Federal expenditures. Bill is constructive and statesmanlike"; Arthur Schutzer, American Labor Party, stated: "H. R. 1 would stand exposed for what it really is—a pink ribbon present for the rich and a shoe-lace for the poor. We urge Congress to reject the 20-30 percent across the board cuts and instead (a) raise personal income tax exemptions, (b) repeal all Federal excise taxes, and (c) restore for the year 1947 the excess-profits tax on corporations without any carry-back"; Lovell H. Parker said: "I consider H. R. 1 a good bill, but if the revenue loss is too great, my observations include a suggested plan of tax reduction which I believe will retain the major incentive features of H. R. 1 with a saving of approximately one billion dollars in revenue"; C. E. Baldwin, Progressive Citizens of America, declared himself "unalterably opposed to H. R. 1 or to any other plan of tax reduction which fails to give effective relief to the vast majority of the people in the lower income brackets"; and Benjamin C. Marsh, the People's Lobby, proposed that "this revenue bill must be drafted with recognition of the fact that most industry, farmers, and wage earners, as well as the aged and unemployed, rely upon Congress through its powers of taxation to redress the inequities of our economic system."

Committee continues tomorrow.

GAMBLING SHIPS AND JUDICIAL NOMINATIONS

Committee on the Judiciary: In two executive sessions, the committee ordered favorably reported to the Senate, with amendment, S. 560, to prohibit the operation of gambling ships; and three nominations—Watson Drake, to be United States attorney for the eastern district of Missouri; Benjamin Whaley, to be United States attorney

for the eastern district of South Carolina; and J. B. Dooley, to be district judge for the northern district of Texas.

In the session Saturday, subcommittee met and held an informal discussion of S. 481, to confer jurisdiction upon the Court of Claims to hear and determine claims of the Trent Trust Co. and the Cook Trust Co., but took no action.

Subcommittee meets tomorrow on nomination of Jed Johnson.

FEDERAL AID TO EDUCATION

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Continuing hearings on bills to grant Federal aid to education (S. 81, S. 170, S. 199, and S. 472), Senators Pepper and Murray spoke in behalf of a new bill (S. 1157), which they themselves introduced and which the committee is now considering in group with the other pending bills.

The committee also heard Mrs. Charles E. Heming, National Board of the League of Women Voters; Leslie S. Perry, National Association for the Advancement of Colored People; O. L. Emerick, Northern Virginia District of the Parent Teachers' Association, and Mrs. Agnes E. Meyer, Washington, D. C., favor S. 472; C. S. Long-

acre, Religious Liberty Association, oppose all provisions of the bills to give Federal aid to nonpublic schools; Fred W. Young, national executive committee of the American Legion, support legislation to grant generally Federal aid to education but not favoring any particular bill; Samuel McCavert, Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America, favor aid to education only in accordance with the constitution and statutes of each State, respectively; and Mrs. Joseph Willen, national committee on education and social action of the National Council of Jewish Women, Inc., favor Federal aid to education but oppose funds for nonpublic schools.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

SPECIAL COUNCIL FOR DEFENSE COMMITTEE

Special Committee to Investigate the National Defense Program: In executive session on Saturday, the committee agreed to substitute for Senate consideration a new bill (S. J. Res. 107) in lieu of taking S. J. Res. 97 from the table "to make clear that the Congress did not intend in S. J. Res. 97 to accomplish the unfortunate results suggested in the President's veto message," as stated by Senator Brewster.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Fourteen public bills, H. R. 3227-3240; four private bills, H. R. 3241-3244; and two resolutions, H. J. Res. 185, and H. Con. Res. 43, were introduced. Page 4181

Bills Reported: Bills and resolutions were reported, as follows: H. R. 1179, aiding defrayment of expenses of Seventeenth Triennial Convention of World's WCTU (H. Rept. 318); H. Res. 196 (H. Rept. 319); H. Res. 197 (H. Rept. 320); H. Res. 198 (H. Rept. 321); S. Con. Res. 9 (H. Rept. 322). (For details of these resolutions, see following paragraphs.) Pages 4180-4181

Resolutions Agreed to: The House considered and agreed to the following four resolutions:

H. Res. 196, authorizing expenditure of \$40,000 by the Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments, in accordance with Rule XI (h) (1), of Public Law 601, Seventy-ninth Congress, for conducting investigations with respect to procurement and building;

H. Res. 197, authorizing expenditure of \$26,000 by Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments, in accordance with Rule XI (h) (1), of Public Law 601, Seventy-ninth Congress, for conducting investigations with respect to publicity and propaganda in the Government departments;

H. Res. 198, authorizing expenditure of \$40,000 by Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments, in accordance with H. Res. 118, Eightieth Congress, to study and investigate actions, rules, procedures, etc., by Federal agencies, and to hold hearings and subpoena witnesses for the purpose of handling certain complaints therefrom; and

S. Con. Res. 9, authorizing printing for Senate Committee on Finance 2,000 additional copies of S. Rept. 610, Seventy-sixth Congress, entitled "Survey of Experience in Profit Sharing and Possibilities of Incentive Taxation." Pages 4182-4183

District Day

Daylight Saving: Considered and passed, by a vote of 218 yeas to 145 nays, S. 736 (in lieu of H. R. 2568), authorizing D. C. Commissioners to hear opinions of District residents with a view to determine the establishment of local daylight saving in 1947.

An amendment, offered by Representative Wadsworth to include residents of neighboring counties of Maryland and Virginia also to be heard, was accepted. Pages 4185-4186

Motor Vehicles: Considered and passed H. R. 1624, authorizing allowance payments to three D. C. police inspectors for use of their privately owned motor vehicles. Pages 4166-4167

War Relief: The House in Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union resumed consideration of H. J. Res. 153, the relief-assistance measure for war-devastated countries, and considered amendments thereto. Pages 4167-4179

Reports on Committee Meetings

FARM PROGRAM

Committee on Agriculture: April 26, continued hearings on long-range farm program, and heard the concluding testimony of Albert S. Goss, Master, The National Grange.

April 28, Subcommittee No. 2 met to consider H. R. 1826, H. R. 1974, H. R. 2615, and H. R. 2642, relating to long-range farm program, and heard four officials of the U. S. Forest Service, Department of Agriculture, who appeared in behalf of the various bills, together with 11 other witnesses.

Subcommittee No. 1 met to consider various bills which had been referred and heard Representative Rees, who appeared in behalf of his bill, H. R. 1776.

MILITARY

Committee on Armed Services: Personnel Subcommittee held executive session on H. R. 2537, Navy promotion bill.

Legal Subcommittee held hearings and executive session on H. R. 2575, to amend the Articles of War, and heard Representative Durham.

Organization Subcommittee concluded hearings on H. R. 3049, extension of Export Control Act, and heard Martin Smith, Flour Millers Association; Harry Chapin, New York State Bean Shippers Association; and D. E. McGarry, Chief, Peas and Beans Division, Surplus Property Administration.

PERMANENT WAR HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: Continued hearings on disposition of permanent war housing and heard Representative Miller (Conn.); Harry Hayden, national legislative representative, the American Legion; Chat Patterson, national legislative representative, American Veterans' Committee; and Hon. Jerry Voorhis, representing Cooperative League for the U. S. A.

SURPLUS

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: April 26, Surplus Property Subcommittee met on contract between the Palmer Bolt & Nut Co., Inc., of Detroit, Mich., and the War Assets Administration, and heard Erwin Lerton, Office of General Counsel, War Assets Administration; and Jess Larson, Acting General Counsel, War Assets Administration.

INTERNATIONAL AIR CARRIERS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Continued hearings on consolidation and merger of international air carriers and heard Juan T. Trippe, president, Pan American Airways, New York City, who testified in favor of "chosen instrument" legislation.

Hearings will continue tomorrow.

JUDICIAL

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 3 held hearings on H. R. 2746, to provide secretaries for circuit and district judges, and heard Chief Justice Lawrence D. Groner, of the D. C. Court of Appeals; and Hon. Henry P. Chandler, Director of the Administrative Office of the United States Courts. Subcommittee ordered the bill favorably reported to the full committee.

Subcommittee also considered H. R. 2966, to permit commissioned Coast Guard officers to preside at taking evidence in certain proceedings, and heard Stephen J. Spingarn, Associate General Counsel of the Treasury Department, who testified in support of the bill; Capt. Alfred C. Richmond and Capt. Kenneth S. Harrison of the Coast Guard; Capt. William C. Ash presented a brief on behalf of the Masters, Mates, and Pilots of America, A. F. of L., in opposition to the bill.

Subcommittee on Immigration and Naturalization continued hearings on H. R. 2933, to give the Attorney General discretionary powers to suspend deportation of certain aliens, and heard Hoyt S. Haddock, CIO Maritime Committee; Simon Sobeloff, city solicitor of Baltimore, representing the American Jewish Congress; Leo Michaloski, attorney, Washington, D. C., representing the Polish-American Congress; and Gaspare E. Cushman, representing several Italian-American organizations.

FISH AND SHELLFISH PROBLEMS

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: April 26, Subcommittee on Salt Water Fish and Shellfish problems met on current operations of the *Pacific Explorer* and heard Arch Ekdale, attorney, San Pedro Fish Cannery; George Wallace, American Fishermen's Tuna Boat Association; James Kelehan, associate director, Office of Defense Plants, RFC; and Max Hersh, Office of Defense Plants, RFC.

April 29 Subcommittee on Salt Water Fish and Shellfish Problems met on current operations of the *Pacific Explorer* and heard George Webb, Fishermen's Cooperative Association; H. P. Osteen, attorney for Nick Bez; Nick Bez, operator of the *Pacific Explorer*; Milton C. James, Fish and Wildlife Service; Andrew S. Anderson, Fish and Wildlife Service; Joe Jurich, president, International Fishermen and Allied Workers Union; and Charles E. Jackson, National Fisheries Institute.

TEMPORARY HOSPITAL WORKERS

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Special subcommittee considered and ordered favorably reported to the full committee, with amendments, H. R. 1714, to exclude temporary interns, nurses, and student employees of Government hospitals from the Classification Act of 1923.

AMENDING RECLAMATION PROJECT ACT

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation continued hearings on H. R. 2874, H. R. 2873, H. R. 2583, and H. R. 1977, to amend the Reclamation Project Act of 1939, and heard Northcut Ely, special counsel, Salt River Valley Water Users Association, who suggested an amendment to H. R. 2873; Robert W. Sawyer, president, National Reclamation Association; and Clifford H. Stone, National Reclamation Association, both of whom testified in support of H. R. 2873.

RULES

Committee on Rules: Met on H. R. 2616, assistance to Greece and Turkey, and heard Chairman Eaton, Representatives Richards and Mundt of the Committee on Foreign Affairs. Representative Javits spoke regarding his minority views in the committee report on the bill. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

VETERANS

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Subcommittee on Education, Training, and Rehabilitation met on H. R.

2172, extending the loan benefits of the Servicemen's Readjustment Act to widows of World War II veterans whose deaths result from service in the armed forces, and heard John C. Williamson, representing the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

RECIPROCAL TRADE

Committee on Ways and Means: April 26, continued hearings on Reciprocal Trade Agreements and heard T. Albert Potter, president, Elgin National Watch Co., representing the American Watch Manufacturing Industry, New York City.

April 28, continued hearings on Reciprocal Trade Agreements and heard Hon. William Averell Harriman, Secretary of Commerce; and Albert S. Goss, Master, The National Grange.

REPORT ON JOINT COMMITTEE MEETINGS

ECONOMIC QUESTIONNAIRE

Joint Committee on the Economic Report: Subcommittee on Questionnaires met on Saturday with Mr. A. D. Whiteside, president of Dun & Bradstreet, to consider economic questionnaires. After a general discussion, the subcommittee submitted questionnaires to Mr. Whiteside for advice and comment, to be returned to the committee at an early date.

The full Committee on the Economic Report is expected to meet on Friday of this week, and the subcommittee might meet again this coming Saturday.

Tuesday, April 29, 1947

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate agreed to vote tomorrow on recommitting labor bill; House concluded all debate on general war-relief bill and postponed final vote until Wednesday.

Second deficiency appropriation bill reported to House.

Conferees filed report on portal-to-portal pay bill.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 4182-4185.

Bills Introduced: Fourteen bills were introduced, as follows: S. 1176-S. 1189. Page 4183

Bill Reported: A bill was reported, as follows: S. 560, to prohibit the operation of gambling ships, (S. Rept. 147). Page 4183

Bill Referred: The following House-passed bill was referred, as follows: H. R. 1624 (District of Columbia). (For passage in House, see Digest, D124.) Page 4183

Labor Legislation: Senate continued debate on S. 1126, labor bill. By unanimous consent, agreed to vote at 1 p. m., Wednesday, April 30, on the Morse motion as modified, which would recommit the bill to the Com-

mittee on Labor and Public Welfare with instructions to report four separate bills, as follows: Titles I and V, II, III, and IV. Pages 4185-4209

Nominations: Received two nominations for promotion in the regular corps of the Public Health Service and 137 appointments in the Diplomatic and Foreign Service. Page 4212

Confirmations: The following nominations were confirmed: Drake Watson and Benjamin Scott Whaley, as United States attorneys for the eastern districts of Missouri and South Carolina. Page 4213

Reports on Committee Meetings

TREASURY-POST OFFICE APPROPRIATION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on H. R. 2436, Treasury-Post Office appropriation bill, heard testimony from Admiral J. F. Farley, Commandant of the Coast Guard; Capt. A. C. Richmond; Comdr. C. R. Arrington; and Lt. Comdr. P. E. Trimble. On question of price paid by the Government for typewriters, Senator McMahon testified, together with George H. Palmer, Royal Typewriter Co.; Thomas J. Shyrock, Remington-Rand; and L. D. Waller, L. C. Smith. Subcommittee meets again tomorrow.

Hearings on H. R. 3123, Interior Department appropriation bill, start May 5.

NATIONAL DEFENSE ESTABLISHMENT

Committee on Armed Services: In executive session to discuss procedure and disposition of S. 758, to create a National Defense Establishment, the committee decided to close hearings Friday, May 9.

RFC EXTENSION

Committee on Banking and Currency: In connection with hearings on the proposed extension of the RFC, the committee heard the following witnesses discuss various aspects of the \$80,000,000 RFC loan to the B. & O. Railroad: Roy B. White, president of B. & O. Railroad; Cassius M. Clay, one-time general solicitor for the B. & O.; W. W. Sullivan, Chief of the RFC railroad division; and John D. Goodloe, Chairman of the RFC.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

POSTAL RATES

Committee on Civil Service: Committee continuing investigation of postal rates (see S. Res. 43) heard S. N. Bradley, Whaling Distributing Corp., discuss postal rates on books; Dr. Lewis C. Sorrell, National Council on Business Mail, analyze the various classes of mail and present the Council's recommendations on revision of rates; and Walter D. Fuller, president, Curtis Publishing Co., assert that new supplies of paper of all descriptions, magazine and book, are flowing into market, thus mak-

ing available more tonnage of printed matter which will result in increasing postal revenues.

Committee meets tomorrow on Government employees and abolishing of Indian Bureau.

NURSERY SCHOOLS

Committee on the District of Columbia: Public Health subcommittee considering S. 751, continuance of child day-care nursery schools, heard the following witnesses oppose the bill: Vernon West, Corporation Counsel; Raymond F. Clapp and Lucille Lewis, Welfare Division; and John Ihlder, National Capital Housing Authority. Appearing in favor of the bill were 13 witnesses representing various civic groups and welfare associations.

POLICE AND FIREMEN'S BENEFITS

Committee on the District of Columbia: Public Welfare subcommittee considering S. 924, to credit military service for District of Columbia police and firemen's benefits, and S. 982, giving seniority rights for certain military service, received testimony from Senator Flanders; Walter Thomas, Acting Superintendent of Police; Vernon West, Corporation Counsel; Capt. John E. Fondahl, president of the Policemen's Association; Fire Chief Clement Murphy; Fire Lt. James Q. Barnes; and H. J. Lineburg, American Legion.

SURPLUS PROPERTY

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Subcommittee on Surplus Property continued its investigation into "why the sale of the Wright Aeronautical Plant at Cincinnati was called off," with the following officials of the WAA present: C. David Williams, Gen. James Mollison, M. M. Boyd, and Robert Hayes. Investigation will continue Tuesday, May 6.

INCOME TAX REDUCTION

Committee on Finance: Continuing hearings on H. R. 1, to reduce individual income taxes, the following five witnesses discussed various tax programs and policies, with particular reference to H. R. 1: A. R. Kaiser, National Retail Dry Goods Association; Arnold J. Wilson, Illinois Manufacturers Association; Harry Silver-son; B. A. Javits, Investors League; and Henry H. Wolfe, National Lawyers Guild.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

WAR RELIEF

Committee on Foreign Relations: The committee unanimously agreed to give favorable consideration to the provisions of H. J. Res. 153, authorizing \$350,000,000 for relief of the people of countries devastated by the war, after House passage and reference to the committee.

Hearings on the Italian Peace Treaty start tomorrow morning.

NATURAL GAS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee considering S. 734 and S. 1028, amendments to the Natural Gas Act restricting regulatory power of FPC over natural gas, heard opposition testimony from Federal Power Commission Chairman Nelson Lee Smith; FPC member Harrington Wimberly, and Tom McGrath, representing National Coal Association. Representative Rizley favored the legislation.

NOMINATION OF JED JOHNSON, AND IMMIGRATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee held an informal session on the nomination of Jed Johnson, to be judge of the United States Customs Court, but took no action.

Another subcommittee met in the afternoon to hear various Indonesians appear in behalf of themselves for an extension of time in the United States under the immigration laws.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

FEDERAL AID TO EDUCATION

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee continued hearings on bills to grant Federal aid to education (S. 81, S. 170, S. 199, S. 472, and S. 1157) and heard Amos A. Fries, Friends of the Public Schools of America, oppose all bills on Federal aid to education; Wm. F. Saunders, High School Teachers Association of N. Y. C., support Federal aid in general; J. M. Dawson, Baptists of the U. S., support Federal aid to education, but oppose grants to nonpublic schools; James Rudisill, Printing Industry of America, favor aid to public schools; Benjamin C. Marsh, People's Lobby, favor Federal aid to tax-supported schools; Stanley Feingold, The Young Progressive Citizens of America, support large grants to States with specific mention of S. 199; Mrs. Rena Mannex O'Brien, favor States undertaking certain services to children of both public and nonpublic schools; and Charles E. Babcock, Jr., Order of United American Mechanics, oppose legislation giving the authority to any Federal official over schools in the States.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Fourteen public bills, H. R. 3245-3258; five private bills, H. R. 3259-3263; and two resolutions, H. Res. 200 and H. J. Res. 186, were introduced.

Pages 4249-4250

Bills Reported: Bills and resolutions were reported, as follows:

H. R. 3245, second deficiency appropriation for fiscal year 1947 (H. Rept. 323);

H. Res. 200, rule making in order 4-hour consideration of H. R. 3203; housing and rent-control bill (H. Rept. 324);

H. Res. 183, creating a Coordinator of Information for the House of Representatives (H. Rept. 325); and Conference report filed on H. R. 2157, defining and limiting jurisdiction of courts, to regulate actions arising under certain Federal laws (H. Rept. 326).

Pages 4245, 4249

Resolution Referred: The following Senate-passed resolution (S. J. Res. 102) was referred to the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce. (For passage in Senate, see Digest, p. D123.)

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Board of Visitors: The following members of the Armed Services Committee were appointed by Chairman Walter G. Andrews to the Board of Visitors to the

U. S. Military Academy: Messrs. Arends, Towe, Gavin, Norblad, Sasscer, Sikes, and Winstead.

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Order of Business: On motion of Mr. Halleck, by unanimous consent, the House agreed to dispense with Calendar Wednesday, business of Wednesday, April 30.

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War Relief: Completed consideration, in Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union, of H. J. Res. 153, relief-assistance bill for war-devastated countries, and put over until Wednesday the final vote on the measure. Also subject to roll-call vote will be two controversial amendments, one of which was offered by Representative Jonkman, which reduced the suggested amount of aid from \$350,000,000 to \$200,000,000. This amendment was tentatively approved by a vote of 156 to 138.

Other amendments adopted would limit aid only to Austria, Greece, Poland, Hungary, Italy, and China, except for a \$15,000,000 relief fund to be used for other nations at determination of the President; establishment of relief missions comprised solely of American citizens, screened by the FBI; placing proceeds of relief sales in special accounts and restricting relief expenditures outside of this country; postponing reparations payments from such countries as are furnished relief; and the appointment of a relief administrator by the President, subject to Senate confirmation.

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FARM PROGRAM

Committee on Agriculture: Met on long-range farm program and heard James G. Patton, president, Farmers Education and Cooperative Union of America.

Hearings will continue tomorrow.

MILITARY

Committee on Armed Services: Personnel Subcommittee held executive session on H. R. 2537, Navy promotion bill.

Subcommittee on Hospitalization and Health ordered favorably reported to the full committee H. R. 3215, to revise the Medical Department of the Army and the Medical Department of the Navy. Maj. Gen. Norman T. Kirk, Surgeon General of the Army, testified in support of the bill.

FEDERAL AID TO EDUCATION

Committee on Education and Labor: Met in open session on various bills pertaining to Federal aid to education, and heard Representatives Rohrbough and Winstead, who spoke also for Representatives Whitten and Abernethy; Fred E. Young, representing the American Legion; and Benjamin Epstein, of the Emergency Council of Teacher Organizations of Newark, N. J.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

NATIONAL SECURITY ACT OF 1947

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Met on H. R. 2319, National Security Act of 1947, and heard Secretary of War Patterson.

Hearings will continue tomorrow.

HOUSE ADMINISTRATION

Committee on House Administration: Met in executive session and ordered H. Res. 183, creating the office of Coordinator of Information for the House of Representatives, reported to House.

Subcommittee on Printing met in executive session and ordered H. Res. 83, providing for the printing of "Fascism in Action" as a House document, reported to full committee.

INTERNATIONAL AIR CARRIERS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Continued hearings on consolidation and merger of international air carriers and heard Juan T. Trippe, president, Pan American Airways, New York, N. Y.

Hearings will continue tomorrow.

AMENDING IMMIGRATION ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Met in executive session on H. R. 2933, amending the Immigration Act to give the Attorney General discretionary powers to suspend de-

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portation of certain aliens, and heard Hon. Tom C. Clark, Attorney General.

AMENDING SHIP SALES ACT

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Subcommittee on Ship Sales, Charters and Lay-ups held hearings on amendments to the Ship Sales Act of 1946 and heard Vice Admiral W. W. Smith, Chairman of the U. S. Maritime Commission; and James Pimper, director, Large Vessel Sales Division, U. S. Maritime Commission.

Hearings will continue tomorrow.

AMENDING RECLAMATION PROJECT ACT

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation met in executive session on H. R. 2583, H. R. 2873, H. R. 2874, and H. R. 1977, to amend the Reclamation Project Act of 1939.

ROADS—GAO

Committee on Public Works: Subcommittee on Roads held hearings on H. R. 2838, increasing money available for research, etc., under the Federal Highway Act, and heard Hon. Thomas H. McDonald, Commissioner of Public Roads; and Ben F. Ostergren, vice president, National Rural Letter Carriers Association.

Subcommittee on Public Buildings and Grounds concluded hearings on H. R. 3030, construction of a building for the General Accounting Office, and heard Brig. Gen. Claude B. Farenbaugh, Commandant, Military District of Washington; Lt. Col. Douglas S. Mapes, Space Control Office, Military District of Washington; and Lt. Col. W. I. Russell and J. I. Finnegan, of the War Department.

RULES

Committee on Rules: Continued hearings on H. R. 2616, assistance to Greece and Turkey, and heard Mr. Smith (Wis.) who appeared in opposition to the bill.

Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

Committee also heard Chairman Wolcott, and Representatives Spence, Brown, and Smith (Ohio) of the Committee on Banking and Currency, in favor of a rule providing consideration of H. R. 3203, housing and rent control. A rule providing 4 hours of general debate was ordered reported.

RECIPROCAL TRADE

Committee on Ways and Means: Continued hearings on reciprocal trade agreements and heard Charles D. Ammon, president, Cushman Motor Works, Lincoln, Nebr., who testified in opposition to further tariff reductions on small motor vehicles and motorcycles; and Eugene P. Thomas, National Foreign Trade Council, New York, N. Y., who testified in favor of continuing the existing program.

Hearings were continued in a night session.

REPORT ON JOINT COMMITTEE MEETING

PORTAL-TO-PORTAL PAY

Conferees on H. R. 2157, portal-to-portal pay bill, reached agreement over amendments in disagreement between House and Senate and filed a conference report (H. Rept. 326). As agreed upon by the conferees, the bill would permit compromise of existing or past portal claims and remove jurisdiction from the courts to hear claims which were not compensable either by contract, custom, or usage. As to future claims, the Senate provisions were generally followed, and these applied only before the commencing of the work-day and after its conclusion.

The statute of limitations for future claims was set at 2 years, and existing claims must be filed within 120 days, in which case the State statute of limitations will govern.

In the case of an employer relying on an administrative ruling, order, or practice, "so-called" good-faith clause, if he can plead and prove that he acted in good faith on such order, ruling, or practice, this proof shall be a bar to action. This shall apply even though the order is later declared invalid. In the case of future claims of this character, employer must plead and prove

that he relied in good faith on a written regulation by the agency charged with the administration of the law.

"Area of production" regulations issued by the Wage-Hour Administration was given special treatment. If an employer was exempted by this regulation and acted in good faith on such exemption he is exempted from penalties even though the regulation was later declared invalid by a court.

Since the Senate asked for the conference, the House will act first on the conference report.

BILLS SIGNED BY THE PRESIDENT

(New Laws)

S. 1009, to extend the time for Ft. Lauderdale, Fla., to purchase certain property from the Coast Guard. Signed April 28, 1947 (P. L. 39).

H. R. 2102, extending the Farm Labor Supply Program. Signed April 28, 1947 (P. L. 40).

H. R. 2413, to permit the Federal Reserve Board to purchase directly Government securities until July 1, 1950. Signed April 28, 1947 (P. L. 41).

H. R. 2404, to suspend certain import taxes on copper. Signed April 29, 1947 (P. L. 42).

Wednesday, April 30, 1947

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate rejected motion to recommit labor bill; House passed relief-assistance bill for war-devastated countries, and agreed to conference report on first deficiency appropriation bill for 1947.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 4264-4270.

Bills Introduced: Fourteen bills were introduced, as follows: S. 1190-S. 1203. Page 4266

Bills Reported: Bills were reported, as follows: S. 629, concerning D. C. Common Trust Funds (S. Rept. 148); and S. 1017, providing for the continuation of rent control, individual views of Senators Taylor and Wagner (Part II of S. Rept. 86). Page 4266

Labor Legislation: In continuing debate on S. 1126, labor bill, the Senate defeated by 35 yeas to 59 nays the motion of Senator Morse to recommit the bill to the Committee on Labor and Public Welfare with instructions to report, not later than May 2, four separate bills, namely, Titles I and V, II, III, and IV. Senator Ives offered an amendment, which was adopted without ob-

jection, to the section of the bill making it an unfair labor practice for a labor organization to coerce an employer in the selection of his representatives for collective bargaining. The Ives amendment struck out the words "interfere with" since in the opinion of the author the language was too broad. Senator Ellender entered a motion to reconsider the adoption of this amendment. Pages 4251, 4259-4263, 4270-4289

Whaling Agreement: A supplementary protocol for the regulation of whaling, which was signed at London on March 3, 1947, was received. Pages 4289-4290

Nominations: Received three appointments in the Coast and Geodetic Survey, 12 in the Foreign Service, 12 in the Public Health Service, and 276 appointments in the Navy. The nomination of John Caskie Collet, to be judge of the Eighth Circuit Court of Appeals, also was received. Pages 4290-4291

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TREASURY-POST OFFICE APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on H. R. 2436, Treasury-Post Office Appropriations, heard testimony from the following witnesses in connection with domestic air-mail service and foreign air-mail transportation: Roy W. Martin, Office of 2d Assistant Postmaster General; Robert S. Burgess, Deputy 2d Assistant Air Mail Service; and Frank J. Delaney, Solicitor.

Hearings are expected to be concluded tomorrow.

NATIONAL DEFENSE ESTABLISHMENT

Committee on Armed Services: Continuing hearings on S. 758, to create a National Defense Establishment, the committee heard Senator Henry Cabot Lodge, and John P. Bracken, president of the Naval Reserve Officers, testify. Senator Lodge declared he favors the unification provided in the bill because he thinks it is utterly vital to have the chain of command clearly set up and established. He pointed out that such chain of command cannot be improvised quickly, and in the event of another war, we cannot expect to have 2 years in which to argue these things out. He stated also that there is a manpower shortage in this country and that unification will provide a well-thought-out procedure for the allocation of our available supply of military manpower. Mr. Bracken stated that the members of his organization are overwhelmingly opposed to the measure because it is not intelligent unification legislation; it will increase rather than decrease the cost of our military establishment; its full implications are obscured by its intentional vagueness; it reposes too great a power in one man; and it seeks to replace an organization which successfully won the war with something that can best be called a "pig in a poke."

RFC EXTENSION

Committee on Banking and Currency: The committee continued its investigation of the \$80,000,000 loan to the B. & O. Railroad, in connection with the proposed extension of the RFC. John D. Goodloe, RFC Chairman, and Russell L. Snodgrass, B. & O. vice president in charge of finance, testified.

Hearings are scheduled to resume on May 5.

INDIAN AFFAIRS—CIVIL SERVICE INQUIRY

Committee on Civil Service: The following witnesses on various Indian problems were heard: William Zimmerman, Assistant Commissioner of Indian Affairs; Albert C. Gillis, Hathaway L. Stevens, Herbert A. Ballas, Manual C. Cordova, and F. G. Collet, all representing various California Indians. The committee instructed its staff to certify this matter to the Committee on Public Lands.

Senators Thye, Ecton, and O'Connor were designated as a subcommittee under S. Res. 41, and to examine conditions as follows: (1) American citizenship granted to Panamanians who become qualified to hold American Government jobs; (2) Royall plan in the War Depart-

ment reportedly designed to install Army personnel into civilian jobs and demote career employees; and (3) Post Office Department field operations.

Subcommittee Chairman Baldwin called attention to the work of his group under S. Res. 42. He requested and was granted clearance for submission of a budget to provide consultative services of cafeteria operating experts.

INCOME TAX REDUCTION

Committee on Finance: Continuing hearings on H. R. 1, to reduce individual income taxes, the committee heard James F. Stiles, National Association of State Chambers of Commerce, support immediate reduction of individual income taxes; Claude W. Dudley, Washington attorney, appeared in favor of the general objective of H. R. 1; Dr. Lionel Edie, New York City; and Edgar B. Brown, National Negro Council, who also appeared.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

ITALIAN PEACE TREATY

Committee on Foreign Relations: Various representatives of Italian-American groups were heard by the committee in opposition to the Italian Peace Treaty (Executive F).

Hearings continue tomorrow.

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Constitutional Amendments discussed resolutions with respect to such proposed amendments now pending before the full committee.

Subcommittee meets tomorrow on S. 104, anti-monopoly bill.

FEDERAL AID TO EDUCATION

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee continued hearings on bills to grant Federal aid to education (S. 81, S. 170, S. 199, S. 472, and S. 1157) and heard E. Hilton Jackson, Washington attorney, testify regarding aid to religious organizations; Willard E. Givens, executive secretary, National Education Association, urge favorable consideration of S. 472; and Mrs. Margaret H. Worrell, Ladies of the G. A. R., oppose all bills.

Hearings are scheduled to end tomorrow.

STREAM POLLUTION

Committee on Public Works: Subcommittee on S. 418, providing for stream pollution control, heard E. George Aaron, Camden, N. J., commissioner of public affairs, and Reid W. Digges, general manager of Hampton Roads Sanitation Commission, speak in favor of the bill; and Louis Auerbacher, Jr., counsel of Passaic Valley Sewerage Commission, testify against the bill on the basis that the commission area had already spent millions of dollars to control pollution and did not feel that it should be called upon to help finance other parts of the country by Federal control.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Ten public bills, H. R. 3264-3273; and four private bills, H. R. 3274-3277, were introduced.

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Bills Reported: Bills and resolutions were reported, as follows: H. R. 2181, relating to institutional on-farm training for veterans (H. Rept. 327); and Conference report on H. R. 2849, first deficiency appropriations bill for 1947 (H. Rept. 328).

Pages 4332-4334, 4343

War Relief: Passed and sent to the Senate the general relief bill for war-devastated countries, H. J. Res. 153, by a roll-call vote of 333 yeas to 66 nays.

Two controversial amendments which were tentatively passed Tuesday were also approved by roll-call votes. The amendment sponsored by Representative Jonkman, reducing the suggested amount of \$350,000,000 to \$200,000,000, was passed by a vote of 225 yeas to 165 nays. The amendment sponsored by Representatives Colmer and Mundt, to require relief going to Soviet-dominated countries to accept strict American supervision, was passed by a vote of 324 yeas to 75 nays.

Pages 4292-4294

Housing and Rent Control: Considered and agreed to H. Res. 200, rule permitting 4-hour general debate on H. R. 3203, housing and rent control bill, after which the bill was debated and prepared to be read for amendment on Thursday.

Pages 4295-4332

First Deficiency Appropriations: Considered and agreed to the conference report on H. R. 2849, first deficiency appropriations bill for 1947.

(For details see Report on Joint Committee Meetings at bottom of this page.)

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FEDERAL AID TO EDUCATION

Committee on Education and Labor: Held hearings on various bills pertaining to Federal aid to education and heard Ralph B. Jones, State commissioner of education, Little Rock, Ark.; John K. Norton, professor of education, Teachers College, Columbia University, both of whom testified in support of H. R. 2953.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

INTERNATIONAL AIR CARRIERS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Continued hearings on consolidation and merger of international air carriers and heard Merrill Meigs, former chairman, Aircraft Division, War Production Board, Chicago, Ill.; John M. Franklin, president, United States Lines Co., New York, N. Y.; Donald W. Hornbeck,

Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen, Cleveland, Ohio; Philip B. Taylor, aeronautical engineer, Taylor Turbine Corp., New York, N. Y.

AMENDING SHIP SALES ACT

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Subcommittee on Ship Sales, Charters, and Lay-ups held hearings on amendments to the Ship Sales Act of 1946, and heard Commissioners Smith, Mellen, and Carson of the Maritime Commission, and members of their staff.

Hearings will continue tomorrow.

POSTAL RATES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Held executive session on H. R. 2408, postal rates.

INDIANS

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Indian Affairs met on H. R. 1539, H. R. 2996, H. R. 209, H. R. 2545, and H. R. 1882, school bills; and ordered favorably reported to the full committee H. R. 2545, construction of a school building in Grace Harbor County, Wash., and H. R. 1882, school for Indian children at Walker, Minn.

Hearings will continue tomorrow.

RECIPROCAL TRADE

Committee on Ways and Means: April 29, held night session on reciprocal trade agreements, and heard Joseph H. Francis, executive secretary, National Board of Fur Farm Organizations, Salt Lake City, Utah; Steve Royer, United Farmers of America, Inc., Sandoval, Ill.; both of whom testified in opposition to reciprocal trade program; and Charles P. Taft, representing the Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America and on his own behalf as a Director of Wartime Economic Affairs of the State Department, who testified in favor of existing program.

April 30, continued hearings and heard R. H. Trovatten, Commissioner of Agriculture for State of Minnesota; Arthur C. Beall, vice president, C. M. Pitt & Sons, Baltimore, Md.; W. B. S. Winans, president, Kaolin Clay Association, Aiken, S. C.; H. L. Coe, Bicycle Institute of America, Washington, D. C., all of whom testified in opposition to reciprocal trade program; and R. H. Patchin of the W. R. Grace Lines, New York, N. Y., who testified in favor of existing program.

REPORT ON JOINT COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Conferees on H. R. 2849, first deficiency appropriation bill, reached agreement over the House and Senate differences and submitted a conference report (H. Rept. 328). As agreed upon by the conferees, the total appropriated

by the bill is \$2,835,161,509. This compares with a total of \$2,827,526,186 as passed by the House, and \$2,835,199,009 as passed by the Senate. The estimates for the appropriations contained in the bill total \$3,106,566,789.

BILL SIGNED BY THE PRESIDENT

(New Law)

H. J. Res. 140, to change the name of Boulder Dam to Hoover Dam. Signed April 30, 1947 (P. L. 43).

Thursday, May 1, 1947

HIGHLIGHTS

Portal-to-portal pay and first deficiency appropriation bills cleared for President's signature.

Senate continued debate on labor bill; House passed housing and rent-control bill.

Two reorganization plans submitted to Congress.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 4343-4349.

Bills Introduced: Eight bills were introduced, as follows: S. 1204-1211.

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Bills Reported: Bills and resolutions were reported, as follows: Report from the Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments regarding spending by the Navy in connection with the construction of an aqueduct in San Diego (S. Rept. 149); Report from the Committee on Non-Essential Federal Expenditures (no report number); and Report on Newsprint from Special Committee to Study the Problems of Small Business (S. Rept. 150).

Pages 4346-4347

Bill Referred: The following House-passed bill was referred, as follows: H. J. Res. 153 (Committee on Foreign Relations). (For passage in House, see Digest, p. D132.)

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Reorganization Plan: The President submitted two reorganization plans to the Congress, which would become effective July 1, 1947. Plan No. 1 provides for the following transfers: Alien Property Custodian functions to the Attorney General, except certain Philippine matters which are given to the President; abolishes Presidential approval of determinations made by the Secretary of Agriculture on agricultural marketing orders; Office of Contract Settlement to the Treasury; violations of the National Prohibition Act, prior to the repeal of the 18th amendment, from the Department of Justice to the Commissioner of Internal Revenue; Bureau of Animal Industry, Dairy Industry, Entomology, Industrial Chemistry, Human Nutrition and Home Economics, Office of Experiment Stations, and Agricultural Research Center, to the Secretary of Agriculture; functions under the Federal Credit Union Act, to the Federal

Deposit Insurance Corporation; and certain functions of the War Assets Administration to the Surplus Property Administration. Plan No. 2 provides for the transfer of the U. S. Employment Service to the Department of Labor; the functions of the Administrator of the Wage Hour Division to the Secretary of Labor; and directs the Secretary of Labor to prescribe standards, regulations, and procedures to be followed by the contracting agencies in the administration of the eight-hour laws, the Davis-Bacon and Copeland Acts. Plan No. 1 was referred to the Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments and Plan No. 2 to the Committee on Labor and Public Welfare.

Pages 4359-4360

Labor Legislation: Senate continued to debate on S. 1126, labor bill. By unanimous consent it was ordered that the Senate would vote at 2 p. m., May 2, on the Bill amendment and all amendments thereto. This amendment would make it an unfair labor practice to coerce employees.

Pages 4350-4377

Deficiency Appropriation: Conference report on H. R. 2849 (H. Rept. 328), first deficiency appropriations bill, was adopted without objection. This action clears the bill for the President's signature. (For explanation of report, see Digest, pp. D132-133.)

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Portal-to-Portal Pay: Conference report on H. R. 2157 (H. Rept. 326), portal-to-portal pay bill, was adopted by voice vote. Motion to reconsider by Senator Donnell was tabled on motion of Senator Cooper, prohibiting reconsideration of the report. (For details on conference report, see Digest, p. D130.) This action clears the bill for the President's signature.

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Nomination: Nomination of Owen Burns, to be U. S. attorney for the western district of Pennsylvania, was received.

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Reports on Committee Meetings

TREASURY-POST OFFICE APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on H. R. 2436, Treasury-Post Office appropriations, concluded hearings on the bill, after receiving testimony from five representatives of the Civil Aeronautics Board.

INSURANCE ON LOW-RENT HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: E. S. Myer, Commissioner of the Federal Public Housing Authority, accompanied by Earl Millwick, insurance advisor of the same agency, appeared before the Subcommittee on Housing and Rents in opposition to S. 477, to establish a method of determining the lowest insurance rate available on low-rent housing and slum-clearance projects, holding that the bill "would require the FPHA to approve contracts for insurance on low-rent housing projects, assisted by it solely on the basis of the initial premium charge without regard to anticipated rebates and dividends." Felix Hebert, representing Associated Factory Mutual Fire Insurance Companies, Providence, R. I., opposed the passage of the measure. Senator Sparkman, author of the bill, stated that he introduced the bill at request, and then presented Alexander Foreman, Mobile, Ala., who testified in favor of the bill.

FEDERAL SAVINGS AND LOAN ASSOCIATION

Committee on Banking and Currency: Subcommittee on Housing and Rents also held hearings on S. 913, to amend section 5 of the Home Owners Loan Act of 1933, to authorize the conversion of Federal savings and loan associations into State institutions of a similar nature upon their compliance with State law and with certain conditions set forth in the act, with John H. Fahey, Commissioner of FHLB Administration, and Horace Russell, U. S. Savings and Loan League, opposing the bill, and Carl H. Ellingson, National Savings and Loan League, favoring the bill.

CIVIL SERVICE RETIREMENT

Committee on Civil Service: Met in executive session to discuss report on S. 637, civil service retirement bill.

SAN DIEGO AQUEDUCT

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: In executive session, the committee voted to file a report recommending the completion of the San Diego Aqueduct, begun by the Navy. The report upholds the Comptroller General's findings to the effect that the Navy had no legislative authorization to undertake such a project, but committee feels it would be unwise to stop the work at this time. Specifically, it recommends (1) that legislation providing retroactive authorization for the construction of the aqueduct and ratifying the execution of the contract with the city of San Diego be introduced and enacted; and (2) that the con-

struction of the aqueduct be permitted to continue pending the action of the Congress on such legislation.

INCOME TAX REDUCTION

Committee on Finance: Further hearings were held on H. R. 1, to reduce individual income taxes, with the following witnesses testifying: Senator Lucas; Roswell Magill, New York; Stanley Surrey, Tax Legislative Counsel, Treasury Department; Randolph E. Paul, New York; and Harry G. Taylor, Miami.

Mr. Magill proposed substantial reduction in Federal expenditures and a straight across-the-board cut in individual tax rates. Senator Lucas made a statement supporting his amendment which is intended as a substitute for H. R. 1. Mr. Surrey analyzed the technical features of the Lucas amendment, indicating the administrative problems which are involved, the cost of the various portions of the Lucas program, and a justification for each of them. Mr. Paul felt that "the Lucas amendment provides what seems to be a more desirable method of achieving the desired result than does the House bill as it now stands." Mr. Taylor spoke in support of technical amendment by Senator Holland relative to personal holding companies.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

ITALIAN PEACE TREATY

Committee on Foreign Relations: Heard several witnesses in opposition to ratification of the Italian Peace Treaty.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

TAXICABS—ANTIMONOPOLY

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee heard representatives of the G. I. Association, Yellow Cab Co., and Public Utility Commission, all of Philadelphia, discuss GI taxicabs in Philadelphia, in connection with the hearings on S. 104, antimonopoly bill. Witnesses directed their testimony to whether or not taxicabs in Philadelphia operating as public utilities were participating in interstate commerce. The witnesses were as follows: Clewell Sykes, president of Yellow Cab Co.; Bernard Segal; Isaac D. Levy; Herbert Holmes; Harry Robinson; Nathan Robinson; Walter Graham; and Harold Scragg, member of PUC.

FEDERAL AID TO EDUCATION

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Hearings were continued on bills to grant Federal aid to education (S. 81, S. 170, S. 199, S. 472, and S. 1157) with the subcommittee hearing the following witnesses: Senator Fulbright, favor bills on Federal aid to education (S. 472 and S. 199); Mrs. Ethel Grubbs, National Non-Partisan Council on Public Affairs; and W. R. Ogg, American Farm Bureau Federation, favor S. 472; Clark Foreman, Southern Conference for Human Welfare, favor financial support for schools, but preferred the amount carried

in S. 199 over that provided for in S. 472; and Thomas C. Boushall, U. S. Chamber of Commerce, favor keeping responsibility for the function and support of education in the States.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

STREAM POLLUTION

Committee on Public Works: Hearings continued on S. 418, providing for control of stream pollution, with E. W. Tinker, American Paper and Pulp Association of New York, opposing the bill; Senator McGrath, of Rhode Island, favoring the bill; and Donald A. Callahan, American Mining Congress, Wallace, Idaho, and Robert M. Searles, American Mining Congress, San Francisco, opposing the bill.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

CONSOLIDATION OF APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Rules and Administration: Senator Byrd appeared before the committee on open hearings to propose certain amendments to S. Con. Res. 6 (Byrd-Butler resolution), to include all general appropriation bills in one general consolidated appropriation bill. Also pres-

ent to answer questions and discuss application of amendments were F. H. Weitzel, Assistant to Comptroller General; F. J. Lawton, Acting Assistant Bureau of Budget Director; Edward F. Bartelt, Fiscal Assistant Secretary of the Treasury Department; G. L. Cake, Associate Commissioner of Accounts, Treasury Department; S. M. Brown, GAO, and C. W. Tiller, Bureau of the Budget.

ARABIAN OIL

Special Committee to Investigate the National Defense Program: Committee met in executive session to consider the reply of the President to Senator Brewster's letter, requesting certain papers from the library at Hyde Park. The President's letter to Senator Brewster stated that a search had failed to locate the original letter but that a copy had been traced to the State Department, a photostatic copy of which was attached to the President's reply.

Senator Brewster stated that the counsel will make an exhaustive study of the subject of Arabian Oil before the committee proceeds further with its hearings.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Sixteen public bills, H. R. 3278-3293; seven private bills, H. R. 3294-3300; and four resolutions, H. Res. 201-202 and H. Con. Res. 44-45, were introduced. Page 4420

Bills Reported: Bills and resolutions were reported, as follows: Disposal of sundry papers submitted by Joint Committee on Disposition of Executive Papers (H. Repts. 329, 331, and 332); H. Res. 201, rule providing consideration for H. R. 3245, Second Deficiency Appropriation bill for 1947, without intervention of any point of order in connection with language on page 24, lines 15-24, and page 25, lines 1-2 of the measure (H. Rept. 330); and H. R. 673, repealing certain provisions which authorize the establishment of priorities in transportation, by merchant vessels (H. Rept. 333). Page 4420

Joint Meeting: A joint meeting of the Congress was held to hear an address delivered by President Alemán, of the United Mexican States. Pages 4378-4379

Committee Election: Considered and agreed to H. Res. 202, electing Representative McGarvey, of Pennsylvania, to the Committee on Public Works. Page 4380

Reorganization: For details of the two reorganization plans submitted to the Congress by the President, see

Senate Chamber Action in this Digest. Both plans were referred to the House Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments. Pages 4380-4383

Portal-to-Portal: Considered and agreed to the conference report on H. R. 2157, the portal-to-portal pay bill. (For details of report, see Digest, p. D130.) Pages 4383-4391

Housing and Rent Control: After 6 hours of continuous debate and voting, the House completed consideration of H. R. 3203, providing for extension of modified rent controls and housing regulation. By a close roll-call vote, rejected a motion to recommit the measure to the Committee on Banking and Currency, 189 yeas to 197 nays, and sent the bill to the Senate by a vote of 204 yeas to 182 nays.

Three attempts to end all rent controls on June 30, 1947, were rejected, after which a vote to continue controls until December 31 was adopted. Also adopted, by the body, was an amendment, by Representative Redden, which would permit any city, county, or town to end controls sooner than December 31, if it so desired.

Among the amendments rejected were: Proposals to raise rents 10 percent, except in large apartment buildings; providing for landlords and tenants to jointly agree to 15-percent-rent increases; striking out such bill language as declares an emergency in housing; and a motion to write a completely new bill. Pages 4391-4417

Reports on Committee Meetings

FARM PROGRAM

Committee on Agriculture: Continued hearings on long-range farm program and heard H. K. Thatcher, executive secretary, National Association of Commissioners, Secretaries, and Directors of Agriculture; and R. A. Trovatten, Commissioner of Agriculture, State of Minnesota. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

MILITARY

Committee on Armed Services: Legal Subcommittee held executive session on H. R. 2575, to amend the Articles of War.

Policy Subcommittee held executive session on H. R. 3124, to authorize the attendance of the Marine Band at the 1947 convention of the GAR. Bill was ordered favorably reported to full committee. Subcommittee also considered and ordered favorably reported to the full committee H. R. 2276, to authorize the Army to participate in the Olympic games which may be held in the future.

FEDERAL AID TO EDUCATION

Committee on Education and Labor: Subcommittee on Education held hearings on various bills pertaining to Federal aid to education, and heard Alvin Fuller, teacher, Ickesburg, Pa.; Corma Mowrey, classroom teacher, Clarksburg, W. Va.; Irma Smith King, Selma, Ala., supervisor of Negro Schools, Dallas County, Ala., in support of H. R. 2953; and Edmund L. Tink, superintendent of schools, Kearny, N. J., also in support of H. R. 2953.

SURPLUS

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Surplus Property Subcommittee held hearings on contract between the George A. Fuller Co. of New York City and the War Assets Administration for the disposal of surplus property, and heard Robert B. Bradford, Assistant Deputy Administrator for General Disposal, WAA; and Frank R. Creedon, National Housing Expediter (formerly Deputy Administrator for General Disposal, WAA).

Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

FOREIGN AFFAIRS

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Met in executive session.

INTERNATIONAL AIR CARRIERS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Continued hearings on consolidation and merger of international air carriers and heard Donald Macleay, representing Mississippi Shipping Co., New Orleans, La.; Hartman Barber, general representative, Brotherhood of Railway and Steamship Clerks, Washington, D. C.;

George R. Nelson, grand lodge representative, International Association of Machinists, Washington, D. C.; H. M. Horner, president, United Aircraft Co., East Hartford, Conn.; and Juan T. Trippe, president, Pan American Airways, New York, N. Y.

Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

JUDICIAL

Committee on the Judiciary: Accepted a portrait of former chairman, Hon. Hatton W. Sumners, which was presented to the committee by Nathan Adams of Dallas, Tex.

Subcommittee No. 2 began hearings on H. R. 110, to amend existing antitrust statutes with regard to news press services, and heard Representative Mason, author of the measure, and Charles J. Blohm, representing the Associated Press.

FISH RESTORATION—SHIP SALES

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Subcommittee on Salt Water Fish and Shellfish Problems held hearings on H. R. 1693, to provide Federal aid to State fish restoration and management projects, and heard Representative Dingell, author of the bill; Albert M. Day, of Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior; and Mr. Shoemaker of Federation of Fish and Wildlife Clubs.

Subcommittee on Ship Sales, Charters, and Lay-ups held hearings on amendments to the Ship Sales Act of 1946, and heard Chairman W. W. Smith and other members of the Maritime Commission.

POSTAL RATES—CENSUS

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Held executive session on H. R. 2408, postal rates.

Hagen Subcommittee considered H. R. 1045, relating to census, and heard Representative Herter, author of the bill.

INDIANS

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Indian Affairs held hearings on H. R. 2501 and H. R. 2502, pertaining to Klamath Indians, and heard Boyd J. Jackson, Klamath Indian Delegate; Glenn Wilkinson, Washington, D. C., legal representative of Klamath Indians; and Wade Crawford, Klamath Indian Delegate, who appeared on both bills, speaking in favor of the legislation.

PUBLIC WORKS

Committee on Public Works: Subcommittee on Rivers and Harbors held hearings on H. R. 1628, enabling the State of Illinois to use the lands now occupied by the Illinois & Michigan Canal for highway, park, recreational, or any other public purpose, and H. R. 1610, authorizes Cairo (Ill.) Bridge Commission to issue refunding bonds, and heard Representative Reed (Ill.);

Herbert J. Slaughter, Assistant Solicitor, Department of the Interior; and J. Ward Smith, Illinois & Michigan Canal Commission, all of whom testified in favor of H. R. 1628; and Representative Bishop and Tuthill Ketchum, who testified in favor of H. R. 1610.

RULES

Committee on Rules: Heard Mr. Taber, chairman, and Mr. Mahon, of the Committee on Appropriations, on H. Res. 201, providing a rule waiving points of order against section 400 of H. R. 3245, a bill making appropriations to supply deficiencies in certain appropriations for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1947. H. Res. 201 was ordered reported.

VETERANS

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Subcommittee on Hospitalization held hearings on H. Con. Res. 26, to provide for the use of Schick General Hospital at Clinton, Iowa, for the Veterans' Administration, and heard Maj. Gen. Paul R. Hawley, Medical Director of Veterans' Administration, who testified in opposition to the bill.

RECIPROCAL TRADE

Committee on Ways and Means: Continued hearings on reciprocal trade agreements and heard Eric Johnston, president, Motion Pictures Association of America, Inc., Washington, D. C., who testified in favor of existing program; J. G. Lerch, Lamb & Lerch, New York City; L. B. Platt, Fatty Acid Producers Association, Inc., Collapsible Tube Manufacturing Association, and Candle Manufacturers' Association, New York City; and J. M. Wells, Homer Laughlin China Co., Newell, W. Va., all of whom testified in opposition to reciprocal trade program.

Hearings will continue tomorrow.

BILLS SIGNED BY THE PRESIDENT

(New Laws)

S. 547, to provide for annual and sick leave for rural letter carriers. Signed April 30, 1947 (P. L. 44).

S. 736, authorizing the Commissioners to establish daylight-saving time in the District of Columbia. Signed April 30, 1947 (P. L. 45).

Friday, May 2, 1947

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate adopted Ball amendment to make coercion of employees an unfair labor practice; House passed second deficiency appropriation bill.

Senate hearings concluded on tax and education bills.

Bill increasing veterans' subsistence allowances approved by House subcommittee.

See Table on Status of Appropriation Bills and Monthly Résumé of Congressional Activities.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 4421-4423.

Bills Introduced: Eleven bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1212-S. 1222; S. Res. 109, S. J. Res. 109. Page 4422-4423

Bills Reported: Bills and resolutions were reported, as follows:

H. R. 492, to authorize the D. C. Juvenile Court to waive jurisdiction in capital offense (no written report);

H. R. 493, to control the possessions, sale, and transfer of pistols in the District of Columbia (no written report);

S. 854, to authorize 35 million dollars for housing units for distressed families of servicemen, contracted for or under construction (S. Rept. 151). Page 4422

Bill Referred: The following House-passed bill, H. R. 3203, extension of rent control, was ordered placed on the Senate Calendar. (For passage in House, see Digest, p. D135.) Page 4423

Labor Legislation: Continued debate on S. 1126, labor bill, and adopted, by a vote of 60 yeas to 28 nays, the Ball amendment making it an unfair labor practice for a labor union to coerce employees in the exercise of certain rights. The amendment offered by Senators

Ball, Byrd, George, and Smith, making it an unfair labor practice for a national union to coerce a local union in the exercise of the collective bargaining processes, is the pending amendment. Pages 4421-4458

Labor-Federal Security Appropriation: Agreed by unanimous consent to take up on Monday, May 5, H. R. 2700, Labor-Federal Security appropriations. Pages 4448-4450

Nominations: Appointments of Peyton Ford, to be an Assistant Attorney General, and Albert E. Clattenburg, Jr., to be a consul and secretary of the diplomatic service, were received. Page 4458

Reports on Committee Meetings

NATIONAL DEFENSE ESTABLISHMENT

Committee on Armed Services: Continuing hearings on S. 758, to create a National Defense Establishment, the committee heard James E. Webb, Director of Bureau of the Budget, and Col. John A. Collins and Lt. Col. Richard Riddell of the Reserve Officers' Association.

Mr. Webb told the committee that there are three advantages in the bill with reference to the job of budgeting in the Federal Government: (1) basic policies in the field of national defense and the determination of a proper balance of forces could be given more consideration than is now possible, (2) real coordination could be provided on budgetary preparation by starting from the ground up on the basis of common policies and assumptions, and (3) the task of applying common standards and practices in achieving a coordinated defense program could be greatly aided. Col. Collins and Col. Riddell discussed section 202 of the bill, which would establish a Central Intelligence Agency, holding that the section should be fundamentally changed to provide that the agency shall be directly under the President, with a civilian Director appointed by the President and subject to Senate confirmation.

Hearings continue on May 6.

GOVERNMENT CAFETERIAS

Committee on Civil Service: Subcommittee continued its investigation of Government cafeterias with Arnold Wesson, subconcessionaire, Washington Monument Grounds Lodge, explaining his earnings and contributions to the GSI, and John W. Woods, representing the GAO, discussing particular activities of the GSI, for example, the erection of a storehouse in East Potomac Park in violation of the law.

GSI officials were requested to produce evidence as to its observance of priorities during the war in the purchase or resale of certain products and evidence that ration points were taken from purchasers of vegetable juice.

LIMITATION OF TAXICABS

Committee on the District of Columbia: Public Utilities Subcommittee considered S. 479, and S. 968, limitation of D. C. taxicabs, and heard Corporation Counsel Vernon West approve S. 479 and ask that the Public Utility Commission should sit in on S. 968. PUC Chairman James H. Flanagan favored S. 479; Edwin Glenn, taxicab operator, appeared in favor of S. 968; Harry C. Davis, representing the Diamond Cab Co., opposed both bills; Arthur S. Harder, representing the Taxicab Union, favored both bills; E. Edwin Dollar opposed S. 968; and Donald Stewart opposed S. 479.

INCOME TAX REDUCTION
Committee on Finance: Senator Fulbright appeared in support of his amendment on community property, while Senator Pepper urged the granting of certain exemptions to school teachers in connection with the continuance of their education, in connection with the hearings being held on H. R. 1, to provide individual income tax reduction.

E. M. Vorhees, U. S. Steel Corporation, and John Connally testified generally in support of H. R. 1. Mr. Stanley Ruttenberg, CIO, submitted a statement in support of Senator Lucas' substitute bill for H. R. 1, but without his community property amendment.

This session concluded the public hearings on the bill.

ITALIAN PEACE TREATY

Committee on Foreign Relations: Five witnesses appeared in opposition to ratification of the Italian Peace Treaty. Committee will meet once next week to conclude these hearings.

INTERNATIONAL AIRCRAFT

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee on S. 987, to provide for the creation of consolidated international air carrier, in executive session decided to open hearings on the proposal on May 19 and to continue through May 31.

DISTRICT JUDGE

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee met on the nomination of Representative Thomason, to be Federal district judge in Texas. No one appeared in opposition to the nomination.

FEDERAL AID TO EDUCATION

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Hearings were concluded today on Federal aid to education bills (S. 81, S. 170, S. 199, S. 472, and S. 1157) after hearing testimony by Senator Cooper and John W. Studebaker, U. S. Commissioner of Education. Senator Cooper favored Federal aid to the States for education, and particularly S. 472. Mr. Studebaker favored Federal aid to education, particularly S. 199.

STREAM POLLUTION

Committee on Public Works: Continuing hearings on S. 418, providing for the control of stream pollution; H. H. Otto, Hudson Coal Co., Scranton, Pa., opposed provisions of the measure on the basis that the proposed law is too drastic and places too much power in the hands

of the Surgeon General, maintaining that the present Pennsylvania State laws contain ample remedial measures to handle the stream-pollution problem in that State.

Maj. Gen. Philip B. Fleming, Federal Works Agency Administrator, appeared to recommend radical revision

of S. 418 for the purpose of assigning the various phases of the contemplated program to the Federal agencies in which they logically belong, holding that detailed planning in all of its engineering aspects be authorized to proceed at the earliest possible date but that actual construction be deferred until a more propitious time.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Nine public bills, H. R. 3301-3309; one private bill, H. R. 3310; and five resolutions, H. Res. 203-205 and H. J. Res. 187-188, were introduced. Pages 4478-4479

Bills Reported: Bills and resolutions were reported, as follows:

S. J. Res. 102, permitting communications carriers to accord free communication privileges to participants in World Telecommunications Conference in 1947 (H. Rept. 334); and

H. Res. 205, rule providing 9 hours' general debate on H. R. 2616, Greek-Turkish loan (H. Rept. 335). Page 4478

Coordinator: Considered and agreed to H. Res. 183, after adopting three committee amendments, providing for a Coordinator of Information for the House of Representatives. Page 4460

Second Deficiency Appropriations: Agreed to H. Res. 201, waiving points of order in connection with certain bill language, and proceeded to consider and pass H. R. 3245, second deficiency appropriation bill for 1947. This measure is mainly designed to supply general deficiencies in various branches of the following Government departments: Agriculture, Commerce, Interior, Justice, Post Office, and State, as well as to War Assets and Federal Security Administrations.

One committee amendment, by Representative Case of South Dakota, provided that surplus potatoes, purchased by CCC, be made available to Bureau of Indian Affairs, to furnish seed to needy Indians, and any Indian relief fund be used to defray transportation charges for such potatoes. Pages 4461-4476

Reports on Committee Meetings

FARM PROGRAM

Committee on Agriculture: Continued hearings on long-range farm program and heard Ralph Baerman, economic analyst.

Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

D. C. HOME RULE

Committee on the District of Columbia: Subcommittee on Home Rule and Reorganization met in executive session; recessed to resume meeting on Monday, May 5.

FEDERAL AID TO EDUCATION

Committee on Education and Labor: Subcommittee on Education continued hearings on various bills pertaining to Federal aid to education and heard Robert H. Wyatt, executive secretary, Indiana State Teachers Association, Indianapolis, Ind.; A. O. Mathias, assistant principal of Withrow High School, Cincinnati, Ohio; Dr. Ralph McDonald, executive secretary, National Commission on Teacher Education and Professional Standards of the National Education Association, Washington, D. C.; and Edgar F. Down, State Senator from Michigan, all of whom testified in support of H. R. 2953.

NATIONAL SECURITY ACT OF 1947—SURPLUS

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Continued hearings on H. R. 2319, National Security Act of 1947, and heard Admiral F. P. Sherman and Maj. Gen. Lauris Norstad, both of whom testified in favor of the bill.

Subcommittee on Surplus Property held hearings on contract between the George A. Fuller Co., of New York City, and the War Assets Administration for disposal of surplus property, and heard William K. Maher, Assistant Deputy Housing Expediter (formerly employed by WAA), Salt Lake City; Joseph S. Willes, examiner, RFC, Salt Lake City (formerly Regional Director, WAA); John A. Skeen, WAA Regional Director, Denver, Colo.; Geddes D. Brown, War Department, Utah General Depot, Ogden, Utah; Capt. Wesley T. McCarthy, Utah General Depot; Lt. Jack E. Turley, Officer-in-Charge of Surplus Disposal, Naval Supply Depot, Clearfield, Utah; Col. Paul G. Rutten, WAA Zone Administrator, San Francisco, Calif.; Daniel E. Squier, Regional Director, WAA, Salt Lake City, Utah; George W. Justeson, Deputy Regional Director, WAA, Salt Lake City, Utah; Alvin J. Paul, WAA, Salt Lake City; Arthur G. Lollich, WAA, Salt Lake City; and Raymond E. Ford, of the George A. Fuller Co.

INTERNATIONAL AIR CARRIERS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Continued hearings on consolidation and merger of international air carriers and heard Hon. Garrison Norton, Assistant Secretary of State.

Committee also held executive session to consider H. R. 3291, and S. J. Res. 102, to permit U. S. common communications carriers to accord free communication privileges to official participants in the World Telecommunications Conference to be held in this country in 1947. S. J. Res. 102 was ordered favorably reported.

JUDICIAL

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 1 met in executive session and discussed the pending "Holiday" bills.

Subcommittee No. 2 continued public hearings on H. R. 110, to amend existing antitrust statutes relative to news press associations, and heard Joseph A. Dear, publisher of the Jersey City Journal, Jersey City, N. J., who testified in support of the bill; Kenneth C. Kimble, Special Assistant to the Attorney General; and Robert Lasch, chief editorial writer, Chicago Sun, both of whom testified in opposition to the bill.

Subcommittee No. 3 continued public hearings on H. R. 2966, to permit commissioned Coast Guard officers to preside at the taking of certain evidence, and heard Stephen J. Spingarn, Associate General Counsel, Treasury Department; Capt. Alfred C. Richmond and Capt. Kenneth S. Harrison of the Coast Guard, who testified in favor of the bill; Joseph H. Volpan, special service representative of the Seafarers International Union of North America, who testified in opposition to the bill.

Subcommittee No. 4 met in executive session on H. R. 1639, to amend the Employers' Liability Act so as to limit venue, and agreed to recommend the bill to the full committee without recommendation.

Subcommittee on Immigration and Naturalization conducted hearings on several private immigration measures.

AMENDING SHIP SALES ACT

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Subcommittee on Ship Sales, Charters, and Lay-ups held hearings on amendments to the Ship Sales Act of 1946 and heard Admiral W. W. Smith and Grenville Mellen, of the Maritime Commission.

CENSUS

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Held hearings on H. R. 1821, census of manufactures, etc., and

heard M. A. Williamson, Associated Business Papers, Inc., New York, N. Y.; F. K. Liech, of the A. C. Nielsen Co., Chicago, Ill.; Warren N. Cordell, of the A. C. Nielsen Co., Chicago, Ill.; Dr. Vergie D. Reed, Advertising Federation of America, New York, N. Y.; J. C. Capt, Director, Bureau of the Census, Washington, D. C.; L. H. Prince, N. Y. State Department of Commerce; Ernest Swanson, Economics Research Department, U. S. Chamber of Commerce; and Gordon Hughes, General Mills, Inc., Minneapolis, Minn.

INDIANS

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Indian Affairs held hearings on H. R. 149 and H. R. 3173, relative to restrictions to Indians of Oklahoma, and heard Representative Schwabe; W. F. Semple, attorney, Tulsa, Okla.; Representative Albert; Hon. Earl Welch, former Justice of Oklahoma Supreme Court; Hon. Thomas P. Gore, former Senator from Oklahoma; Ben Dwight, National Attorney for Choctaw Tribe; Floyd E. Maytubby, Governor of Chicasaw Tribe; William Zimmerman, Assistant Chief, Office of Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior; W. H. Flannery, Assistant Solicitor, Department of the Interior.

Subcommittee also considered H. R. 2005, renewal of leases on coal and asphalt deposits of Choctaw and Chicasaw Indian Nations in Oklahoma, and heard Ben Dwight, National Attorney for Choctaw Tribe; and Floyd E. Maytubby, Governor of Chicasaw Tribe. The bill was ordered favorably reported, without amendment, to the full committee.

Representative Schwabe and J. W. Whitney, Attorney, Tulsa, Okla., testified on H. R. 981, to refund taxes illegally paid by Indian citizens. The bill was ordered favorably reported, without amendment, to the full committee.

Subcommittee also considered H. R. 2739 and H. R. 2878, and heard representatives Engle and Lea, and F. G. Collett, executive representative of the Indians of California. H. R. 2878 was ordered favorably reported, with amendment, to the full committee.

Subcommittee on Territorial and Insular Affairs met in executive session.

EXTENDING D. C. WATER SYSTEM—RED CROSS

Committee on Public Works: Subcommittee on Public Buildings and Grounds held hearings on H. R. 310, to extend the District of Columbia water system to Falls Church, Va., and heard Representative Smith of Virginia speak in favor of the measure. Subcommittee also

held hearings on H. J. Res. 164, to provide Federal lands for a building for the D. C. Chapter of the American Red Cross, and heard J. Clifford Folger, chairman, D. C. Chapter, American Red Cross; Nat C. Wilson, manager, D. C. Chapter; and Randolph Bishop, assistant vice chairman, D. C. Chapter; Maj. Gen. U. S. Grant III, Building Committee, D. C. Chapter; W. G. Hunter, assistant commissioner, PBA; and W. Mead Keller, solicitor, PBA, all of whom spoke in favor of the measure.

RULES

Committee on Rules: Heard Representatives Smith (Wis.) and Bender in opposition to H. R. 2616, assistance to Greece and Turkey, and Representative Colmer, who spoke in favor of the bill. H. Res. 205, waiving points of order and providing for 9 hours of general debate, was ordered reported.

UN-AMERICAN

Committee on Un-American Activities: Subcommittee on Fascism met in executive session.

VETERANS

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Subcommittee on Education, Training, and Rehabilitation met in executive session on H. R. 2409, increasing subsistence allowances. The bill, with amendments, was ordered favorably reported to the full committee.

RECIPROCAL TRADE

Committee on Ways and Means: Continued hearings on reciprocal trade agreements and heard Hon. Tom Linder, Commissioner of Agriculture, Atlanta, Ga.; Representative Peterson, on behalf of the Sponge Fishing Industry, Tarpon Springs, Fla.; Dr. John L. Coulter, National Renderers Association, Washington, D. C.; and H. M. Baldrige, U. S. Cane Sugar Refiners Association, Washington, D. C.

BILL SIGNED BY THE PRESIDENT

(New Law)

H. R. 2849, first deficiency appropriation bill. Signed May 1, 1947 (P. L. 46).

Résumé of Congressional Activity

The following are tables on nominations and legislative activity, run monthly in the DAILY DIGEST.

The first table accounts for all nominations submitted to the Senate by the President for Senate confirmation, a total of 16,189 having been received, of which 14,195 have been confirmed, as set forth below.

The second table gives a comprehensive résumé of all legislative business transacted by the House and Senate during this session, January 3, 1947, through April 30, 1947.

DISPOSITION OF EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS
THROUGH APRIL 30, 1947

Postmaster nominations, totaling 712, disposed of as follows:

Confirmed.....	None
Withdrawn.....	10
Rejected.....	None
Unconfirmed.....	702

Army nominations, totaling 5,026, disposed of as follows:

Confirmed.....	5,000
Withdrawn.....	None
Rejected.....	None
Unconfirmed.....	26

Navy nominations, totaling 9,184, disposed of as follows:

Confirmed.....	8,238
Withdrawn.....	None
Rejected.....	None
Unconfirmed.....	946

Marine Corps nominations, totaling 589, disposed of as follows:

Confirmed.....	556
Withdrawn.....	None
Rejected.....	None
Unconfirmed.....	33

Civilian nominations other than postmasters, totaling 678, disposed of as follows:

Confirmed.....	401
Withdrawn.....	3
Rejected.....	None
Unconfirmed.....	274

Summary

Total nominations received.....	16,189
Total rejected.....	None
Total withdrawn.....	13
Total unconfirmed.....	1,981
Total confirmed.....	14,195

DATA ON LEGISLATIVE ACTIVITY

January 3 through April 30

	Senate	House	Total
Days in session.....	63	65	..
Time in session.....	315 hrs., 45'	244 hrs., 56'	..
Average length of each day's session.....	5 hrs.	3.8 hrs.	..
Congressional Record:			
Pages of proceedings....	2,387	2,085	4,472
Appendix.....	..	..	2,127
Bills enacted into law.....	20	25	45
Average number of days to enactment of each bill, from introduction to President's signature.....	..	..	50
Bills in conference.....	..	..	3
Bills through conference....	..	..	8
Measures passed, total.....	148	264	..
Senate bills.....	49	17	..
House bills.....	18	125	..
Senate joint resolutions..	14	7	..
House joint resolutions..	11	15	..
Senate concurrent resolutions.....	2	2	..
House concurrent resolutions.....	4	4	..
Simple resolutions.....	50	94	144
Measures reported, total.....	*205	299	..
Senate bills.....	84	14	..
House bills.....	36	192	..
Senate joint resolutions..	*14	4	..
House joint resolutions..	*13	21	..
Senate concurrent resolutions.....	*2	1	..
House concurrent resolutions.....	*4	2	..
Simple resolutions.....	52	65	117
Special reports.....	7	22	..
Conference reports.....	..	..	7
Reported measures not acted on.....	55	**82	..
Bills defeated.....	0	1	..
Measures introduced, total...	1,432	3,706	5,138
Bills.....	1,203	3,277	4,480
Joint resolutions.....	108	186	294
Concurrent resolutions..	13	43	56
Simple resolutions.....	108	200	308
Quorum calls.....	120	12	132
Yea and nay votes.....	43	31	74

*This figure includes all measures placed on calendar or acted on by Senate even if there were no accompanying report. A total of 147 reports has been filed in the Senate; a total of 328 has been filed in the House.

**This figure does not agree with the total difference between bills reported and bills passed, because resolutions and bills placed on the House Calendar without having been formally reported were not included in figures of measures reported to the House.

STATUS OF APPROPRIATION BILLS

Bill No	Title	Budget estimates	House				Senate				Public Law	
			Date reported	Amount as reported	Date passed	Amount as passed	Date reported	Amount as reported	Date passed	Amount as passed	Date approved	Amount approved
H. R. 2436	Treasury-Post Office, 1948	\$4,099,124,500	Mar. 7	\$3,202,050,750	Mar. 11	\$3,202,050,750						
H. R. 1968	Treasury-Post Office, 1947	2,584,034,250	Feb. 17	1,671,317,500	Mar. 18	1,671,317,500						
H. R. 2700	Urgent Deficiency, 1947	325,200,600	Mar. 21	139,360,000	Mar. 25	139,360,000						
H. J. Res. 159	Urgent Deficiency, 1947	564,217,844	Mar. 21	574,148,579	Mar. 25	574,148,579						
H. R. 2849	Urgent Deficiency, 1947	132,000,000	Mar. 21	132,000,000	Mar. 25	132,000,000						
H. J. Res. 154	Urgent Deficiency, 1947	1,763,412,300	Mar. 21	1,685,586,780	Mar. 25	1,685,586,780						
H. R. 3123	Urgent Deficiency, 1947	103,578,700	Mar. 21	90,864,200	Mar. 25	90,864,200						
H. R. 3245	Urgent Deficiency, 1947	960,168,600	Mar. 21	899,045,180	Mar. 25	899,045,180						
		699,665,000	Mar. 21	695,677,400	Mar. 25	695,677,400						
		243,610,987	Mar. 26	243,255,607	Mar. 26	243,255,607						
		3,106,566,789	Mar. 28	2,471,498,548	Apr. 1	2,827,326,186						
		9,000,000	Mar. 21	9,000,000	Mar. 21	9,000,000						
		295,420,420	Apr. 21	156,538,513	Apr. 25	161,413,513						
		102,455,914	Apr. 29	95,478,658								

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HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed Labor-Federal Security appropriations; House adjourned out of respect to Representative Gerlach.

State-Justice-Commerce appropriations reported to House.

Hearings announced by House groups on railroad retirement and aid to merchant marine veterans.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 4479-4486, 4534-4539.

Bills Introduced: Fourteen bills and four resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1223-S. 1236; S. J. Res. 110; and S. Res. 110-S. Res. 112.

Pages 4483, 4624-4625, 4539

Bills Reported: Bills and resolutions were reported, as follows: S. 125, to extend the benefits of the Civil Service Retirement Act to official reporters of Senate debates (S. Rept. 152);

H. J. Res. 153, authorizing \$350,000,000 for relief of the people of countries devastated by the war (S. Rept. 153);

Newsprint shortage and distribution (Part II of S. Rept. 150).

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Bill Referred: The following House-passed bill was referred, as follows: H. R. 3245 (Committee on Appropriations). (For passage in House, see Digest p. D139.)

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Labor-Federal Security Appropriation: Senate passed H. R. 2700, Labor-Federal Security appropriation bill, proposing a total appropriation of \$1,676,108,080, after adopting all committee amendments and defeating all amendments offered from the floor. The following amendments by Senator McCarran were defeated by the votes indicated: to increase by \$323,100 funds for Secretary of Labor, by 23 yeas to 57 nays; to increase funds for Department of Labor Solicitor by \$390,400, by division vote; to increase funds for Division of Labor Standards, \$225,857, by division vote; to increase by \$478,400 funds for Commissioners of Conciliation, by division vote; to increase by \$344,200 the funds for apprentice training, by division vote; to increase by \$250,000 funds for Bureau of Labor Statistics, by 30 yeas to 40 nays; to increase by \$2,197,100 funds for general administration of United States Employment Service, by division vote; and to increase by \$991,319 funds for Wage-Hour Division, by division vote. Senator Fulbright's amendment to increase by \$9,458,981 the amount

on which the apportionment for the States for vocational education shall be determined, was defeated by division vote. The committee amendment to reduce the amount for the National Cancer Institute to \$12,000,000 was adopted 34 yeas to 24 nays.

Senate then asked for a conference on the bill and conferees were appointed as follows: Senators Knowl- and, Gurney, Ball, Wherry, McCarran, McKellar, and Russell.

Pages 4486-4534

Death of Representative: S. Res. 112, expressing condolence on the death of Representative Gerlach of Pennsylvania, was adopted.

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Nomination: Appointment of Burton N. Behling, of the District of Columbia, to be a member of the Federal Power Commission for the remainder of the term expiring June 22, 1947, and for the term expiring June 22, 1952, and 22 appointments in the Army were received.

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Reports on Committee Meetings

INTERIOR APPROPRIATION

Committee on Appropriations: Hearings were opened before the subcommittee on H. R. 3123, Interior Department appropriations bill, with Secretary of the Interior J. A. Krug testifying. Hearings continue tomorrow.

EXTENSION OF RFC—LOAN TO B. & O.

Committee on Banking and Currency: Hearings were continued on the proposed extension of the RFC by the committee with Robert R. Young, chairman of the board of C. & O. Lines, and Russell L. Snodgrass, vice president in charge of finance of the B. & O., testifying. Mr. Young told the committee, in discussing the \$80,000,000 loan to the B. & O., that in his opinion "the handling of this situation by the B. & O. management and the RFC was either dishonest or incompetent. One does not expect incompetency in financial matters from the RFC or former RFC officials." Mr. Snodgrass, in a 27-page statement, reviewed the financial structure of the B. & O. and his activity in connection with financing

that company, making reference to the enactment of chapter 15 of the Bankruptcy Act. Hearings continue tomorrow.

PRIVATE BILLS

Committee on the Judiciary: Full committee in executive session approved two private bills.

NOMINATION OF JED JOHNSON

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee met on nomination of Jed Johnson, to be judge of the U. S. Customs Court, but no witness appeared in opposition to the nomination.

ANTI-MONOPOLY

Committee on the Judiciary: On Saturday the subcommittee held hearings on S. 104, to amend the Anti-Trust Act to prohibit acquisition of assets of another corporation, etc., and heard the following witnesses: Gilbert Montague, of New York City, in opposition, holding that the present laws are adequate if properly enforced; Seth Levine, CIO Maritime Committee, favor any legislation that will operate to prevent monopoly—whether this bill is the answer he did not know, but he wanted preventive legislation as contrasted to that of remedial; and Benjamin Marsh, People's Lobby, holding that he was not sure that such legislation was advisable, but that where monopoly is found to be desirable, it should be public instead of private.

HOUSING—GRANTS TO COLLEGES

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee studying S. 971, to authorize \$250,000,000 for FWA for construction of educational facilities required in the education and training of veterans, heard the following witnesses testify in support of the bill: Dr. Arthur S. Adams, Cornell University; George H. Field, Commissioner of the Bureau of Community Facilities,

FWA; Dr. John W. Studebaker, U. S. Commissioner of Education; Dr. Ernest V. Hollis, U. S. Office of Education; J. L. Morrill, president of University of Minnesota; and Blake R. Van Leer, Georgia School of Technology. Hearings continue tomorrow.

VETERANS' SUBSISTENCE

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee on Veterans' Affairs, heard General Omar N. Bradley, Administrator of the Veterans' Administration, discuss and analyze all bills which have been referred to that subcommittee for consideration. Hearings continue tomorrow.

ANTI-DISCRIMINATION

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee in executive session decided to open hearings on S. 984, antidiscrimination bill, on June 11, and to continue them on June 12, 13, 18, 19, and 20.

PUBLIC LANDS

Committee on Public Lands: In executive session the committee discussed policy and procedure, including that of its subcommittees.

RECLAMATION LAWS

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation began hearings on S. 912, to exempt from land limitation provisions of the Federal reclamation laws, the San Luis Valley project of Colorado, the Valley Gravity Canal project of Texas, and the Central Valley projects of California, with the following witnesses testifying in support of the bill: Edward Hyatt, State engineer of California, and S. T. Harding, California consulting engineer of the Tulare Lake Basin water storage district. Hearings continue tomorrow.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Seventeen public bills, H. R. 3311-3327; one private bill, H. R. 3328; and two resolutions, H. Res. 206 and H. J. Res. 189, were introduced.

Pages 4551-4552

Bills Reported: Bills and resolutions were reported, as follows: H. R. 3311, State, Justice, Commerce, and Judiciary appropriations bill for 1948 (H. Rept. 336).

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New Member: Hon. Glenn R. Davis appeared in the well of the House and took the oath as Representative of the Second Congressional District of Wisconsin, filling

the vacancy caused by the death of Hon. Robert K. Henry.

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Order of Business: On motion of Mr. Arends, by unanimous consent, the House agreed to dispense with Calendar Wednesday business of Wednesday, May 7.

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Polish Constitution: House recognition of Polish Constitution Day was curtailed by the announcement of the death of Representative Gerlach. Mr. Smith of Wisconsin obtained leave for all Members to extend their remarks in the Record on the occasion of the Constitution's anniversary.

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Death of Hon. Charles L. Gerlach: Representative Tibbott, of Pennsylvania, submitted H. Res. 206, which was considered and agreed to, a resolution calling for immediate adjournment of the House and suitable expressions of condolence to be extended as a mark of respect to the memory of Hon. Charles L. Gerlach, Eighth Congressional District of Pennsylvania, who passed away early Monday morning, May 5.

Pursuant to this resolution, the Speaker appointed Representatives Kelley, Fenton, Simpson, and Tibbott, all of Pennsylvania, as members of the funeral committee.

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Reports on Committee Meetings

FARM PROGRAM

Committee on Agriculture: May 3, continued hearings on long-range farm program and heard Ray Iberg, Madison County, Ill., representing United Farmers of America, Inc.; and Rolla M. Myers, of the Ohio Marketing Quota Protest Association, Attica, Ohio.

MILITARY

Committee on Armed Services: Personnel Subcommittee held executive session on H. R. 2537, Navy promotion bill.

PERMANENT WAR HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: Continued hearings on disposition of permanent war housing and heard Morton Bodfish, executive vice president, U. S. Savings & Loan League; and Ad Hill, representing the Wayne (Mich.) Chamber of Commerce, and Community Committee on Disposal of Norway Federal Project.

D. C. HOME RULE

Committee on the District of Columbia: Subcommittee on Home Rule and Reorganization met in executive session.

SURPLUS

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: May 3, Surplus Property Subcommittee continued hearings on the contract between the George A. Fuller Co., of New York City, and the War Assets Administration, and heard R. W. Booth, Neil Horgan, and J. H. Sullivan, of the George A. Fuller Co.; Allen Flandro, War Assets Administration, Salt Lake City, Utah; and Gen. James A. Mollison, Theodore S. Osborne, and Alfred Krause, War Assets Administration, Washington, D. C.

INTERNATIONAL AIR CARRIERS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Continued hearings on consolidation and merger of international air carriers and heard Hon. William A. M. Burden, Assistant Secretary of Commerce; Charles A. Rheinstrom, aviation consultant of Charles Rheinstrom

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Associates, New York City; and Gerald B. Brophy, Trans World Airlines, Kansas City, Mo. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

The committee announced hearings on bills repealing and amending Railroad Retirement Act as amended in 79th Congress, beginning Tuesday, May 20, 10 a. m.

JUDICIAL

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 1 considered pending bills relating to Presidential succession and Chairman Michener made a statement in support of H. R. 2749.

Subcommittee No. 2 continued public hearings on H. R. 110, to amend existing antitrust statutes with respect to news press services, and heard Thurman Arnold, representing the American Civil Liberties Union, who testified in opposition to the bill.

Subcommittee No. 3 continued hearings on H. R. 2966, to permit Coast Guard officers to preside at the taking of certain evidence, and heard Stephen J. Spingarn, Associate General Counsel, Treasury Department; Capt. Alfred C. Richmond and Capt. Kenneth S. Harrison of the Coast Guard; all of whom testified in support of the bill; and Hoyt S. Haddock, representing the CIO Maritime Committee, who testified in opposition to the bill.

MERCHANT MARINE

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Subcommittee on Inland Waterways and Fresh-Water Fisheries held hearings on H. R. 3086 and H. R. 3087, changing rules of the road on certain rivers, and heard Milton I. Goldstein, attorney, St. Louis, American Waterways operator; Charles F. Hutchison, river pilot; Aubrey D. Hayne, marine superintendent, Mississippi Valley Barge Line Co.; Capt. R. F. Farwell, Coast Guard; J. E. Gonzales, chairman, Pilots' Committee, Sabine District, La.; and Munger T. Ball, president, Sabine Transportation Co.

Subcommittee on Ship Construction and Operation and Maritime Labor announced hearings on H. R. 476, to provide aid for the readjustment in civilian life of those persons who rendered wartime service in the U. S. merchant marine, and to provide aid for their families, on Monday, May 12, at 10:00 a. m.

INDIANS—PUBLIC LANDS

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Indian Affairs held discussion upon the general subjects of emancipation, soil conservation, and submarginal lands on the Rosebud Indian Reservation of South Dakota, and heard Representative Case; Arthur Lefthandbull, vice chairman, Rosebud Indian Tribal Council; C. R. Whitlock, superintendent, Rosebud Indian Reservation; Peter Felix, member of Rosebud Indian Tribal Council; Ralph H. Case, attorney of record of Sioux Tribe; and Frank McKinzie.

Subcommittee on Public Lands held hearings on various bills, and the following were ordered favorably reported to the full committee: H. R. 2207, authorizing conveyance of certain lands within Shiloh National Military Park, with amendment; H. R. 1831, authorizing exchange of lands acquired by United States for Silver Creek Recreational Demonstration Project, Oregon, without amendment; and H. R. 2655, authorizing grant to Baltimore of a permanent easement for water mains across Fort McHenry Park. Action was deferred on H. R. 185, authorizing sale of public land to the Catholic Bishop of Alaska for use as a mission; and H. R. 1555, directing Secretary of the Interior to designate standard names, orthography, and aerial application of geographic features and places in United States, Territories, and possessions.

D. C. RED CROSS

Committee on Public Works: Subcommittee on Public Buildings and Grounds continued hearings on H. J. Res. 164, to provide Federal land for a building for the District of Columbia Chapter of the American Red Cross, and heard Hon. Joseph C. Grew, representing American Red Cross; John Ilder, executive officer, and William Simpson, general counsel, National Capital Housing Authority; and Mead Keller, Solicitor, PBA.

REPORT ON JOINT COMMITTEE MEETINGS

ATOMIC ENERGY

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Committee met with members of the Atomic Energy Commission and its General Manager to discuss the various installations and facilities of the Commission. Committee meets again in executive session on May 9.

Tuesday, May 6, 1947

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed 42 unobjected-to Calendar bills and tabled motion to postpone debate on labor bill; House passed 15 private claims bills and debated Greek-Turkish assistance bill.

Bills on building for U. S. Court of Appeals and White House police approved by Senate group.

Navy Postgraduate School bill ordered reported to House.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 4553-4559.

Bills Introduced: Three bills were introduced, as follows: S. 1237-S. 1239. Page 4557

Bills Reported: Bills and resolutions were reported, as follows:

S. J. Res. 61, proposing an amendment to the Constitution making automatic and mandatory the annual balancing of Federal Budget in peacetime years (S. Rept. 154). (Under Feb. 10 order the resolution was today referred to Committee on the Judiciary. Above report was made by Committee on Appropriations.)

S. 470 and S. 561, private claims bills (S. Repts. 155 and 156, respectively). Pages 4555-4557

Bills Passed: The 42 unobjected-to Calendar bills listed below were passed, of which all but the following 4 of the 24 House bills were cleared for the President's signature: H. R. 193, 450, 1584, and 2123; the Senate

bills and the 4 mentioned House bills passed with amendment go to the House for further consideration:

Disbursing Officers: S. 273, to limit time within which GAO shall make settlement of accounts of disbursing officers;

Census—Religious Data: S. 614, to remove the census requirement that churches disclose the number of their members when it is against the doctrine of the church so to do;

Prisoners: S. 534, to authorize additional allowances of good time for prisoners performing meritorious services;

Alaska—Lands: H. R. 173, to authorize the sale of public land in Alaska;

Indian Lands: S. 522, to authorize the sale of certain Indian lands in Michigan;

National Park: H. R. 490, to provide for appointment of a United States Commissioner for the Big Bend National Park in Texas;

National Park: H. R. 729, to provide for the appointment of a United States Commissioner in Shenandoah National Park;

Irrigation: H. R. 804, authorizing reduction of interest charges on Farmers Irrigation District in Nebraska;

Royalties: H. R. 193, to amend the Mineral Leasing Act to provide that 37½ percent of the royalties and sales shall go to Alaska and the States concerned;

Museum: H. R. 1584, authorizing operation of a museum on Fort Hall Reservation, Idaho;

Public Lands: S. 583, to authorize exchange of certain lands in Oregon;

Timber Roads: S. 800, to make additional funds available for access roads to standing timber;

Indians: H. R. 1098, providing for \$300 payments to each enrolled member of Shoshone and Arapaho Tribes in Wyoming;

Private Claims: Seven private claims bills, H. R. 326, S. 620, S. 423, S. 361, S. 664, S. 665, and H. R. 2199.

Stone Piers: H. R. 2846, authorizing removal of stone piers in West Executive Ave., in Washington;

Under Secretaries: H. R. 1369, making permanent the positions of Under Secretary of War and Navy;

Missing Persons: H. R. 1368, to include the civilian officers and employees of U. S. Naval Government on Guam under the provisions of the Missing Persons Act;

Decorations: H. R. 1381, relating to acceptance of decorations by members of U. S. armed forces tendered them by foreign nations;

Army Appointments: H. R. 1605, to provide that position on Army seniority lists shall be determined by date of offering commission rather than acceptance;

Chaplains: H. R. 1365, to establish a Navy Chief of Chaplains;

Naval Academy: H. J. Res. 116, to authorize appointments to Naval Academy from enlisted men of the Navy and Marine Corps;

Submarines: H. R. 1367, to authorize the construction of two experimental submarines;

Naval Reserve: H. J. Res. 90, relating to composition of Naval Reserve with respect to members from the Philippines;

Allowances: H. R. 1363, to amend Pay Readjustment Act relative to payment of dependent allowances;

Lands: H. R. 450, providing for the conveying of certain land in Massachusetts;

Engineers: H. R. 1359, to increase from 2 to 3 percent the total authorized number of Navy officers to serve in the Corps of Engineers;

Manufacturers' Census: S. 554, to provide for a census of manufacturers;

Lands: S. 640, to authorize the Secretary of Commerce to sell certain Weather Bureau property in Michigan;

Locomotive Inspectors: H. R. 2123, to fix the compensation of locomotive inspectors;

Washington Airport: H. R. 2758, to provide for the policing of the Washington National Airport;

Capitol Traffic: S. 980, to authorize the Capitol Police Board to regulate traffic in the Capitol grounds;

Gambling: S. 560, to prohibit the operation of gambling ships;

Trust Funds: S. 629, to make uniform the laws relating to common trust funds in District of Columbia;

Juvenile Courts: H. R. 492, to authorize the D. C. Juvenile Court to waive jurisdiction in capital offenses;

Housing: S. 854, authorizing \$35.5 million for completion of certain housing projects;

Senate Reporters: S. 125, to extend to Senate Reporters of Debate the benefits of Civil Service Retirement Act.

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Memphis Harbor: Report of Secretary of War and Chief of Army Corps of Engineers on harbor facilities at Memphis, Tenn., was filed (S. Doc. 51).

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Labor Legislation: Senate resumed debate on S. 1126, labor bill, with particular attention to the Ball amendment making it an unfair labor practice for a national union to coerce a local union in the exercise of the collective bargaining process. Senator Kilgore moved to postpone further consideration of the bill until May 15 and Senator Taft moved to table the Kilgore motion; the latter motion was adopted 59 yeas to 17 nays.

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Reports on Committee Meetings

INTERIOR APPROPRIATION

Committee on Appropriations: Secretary of Interior, W. A. Krug, continued his testimony before subcommittee considering H. R. 3123, Interior Dept. appropriation bill. Hearings continue tomorrow.

NATIONAL DEFENSE ESTABLISHMENT

Committee on Armed Services: Continuing hearings on S. 758, to create a National Defense Establishment, the committee heard Fleet Admiral E. J. King, now on duty in the office of the Secretary of the Navy, and Charles E. Wilson, president of the General Electric Co. Admiral King expressed his personal views and strongly recommended, as a first step, the creation of a National Security Council to deal with the political, the military, the economic, and the industrial factors involved in the "common defense." Mr. Wilson stated that he believes the bill presents a practicable and workable plan and that it is his view that the Secretary of National Defense should not be an administrator but an over-all policy man and coordinator for the three departments proposed in the bill. Hearings continue tomorrow.

EXTENSION OF RFC—LOAN TO B. & O.

Committee on Banking and Currency: After a session of hearings on the proposed extension of the RFC, Senator Tobey announced that he would appoint a subcommittee to continue these hearings.

At the session today, Russell L. Snodgrass, vice president in charge of finance of the B. & O., continued his testimony in connection with the \$80,000,000 loan to the B. & O., with George May, secretary of B. & O., and F. L. Baukhages, general solicitor for B. & O., as accompanying witnesses.

Committee meets again on May 12 on S. 1070, cancellation of capital stock of F. D. I. C.

GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES

Committee on Civil Service: Subcommittee met on staffing of Government jobs (S. Res. 41) and heard Brig. Gen. Joseph C. Mehafeey, Governor of The Panama Canal, outline his position toward the Civil Service Commission's authorization for admittance into job competition of Panamanian citizens; James B. Burns, president, American Federation of Government Employees; Walter Jones, Central Labor Council, Panama Canal Zone, and R. M. Lovelady, Lodge No. 14, Panama Canal Zone, outline their position on what was described as a menace to hemispheric defense through hiring persons for employment in the Zone area; and Robert Newbegin, Division of Central America and Panama Affairs, and W. Tapley Bennett, desk officer for Costa Rica, Panama and Relations with Canal Zone, explain the position of the State Department and the history of the treaty and the attendant note to the treaty with Panama. (For scope of inquiry see Digest, p. D131.)

WAR SURPLUS ADMINISTRATION

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Subcommittee, in connection with its hearings on sale of Wright Aeronautical Plant, heard Gen. Robert M. Littlejohn, Administrator of the War Assets Administration, explain why he fired Mr. M. M. Boyd last Tuesday immediately after testifying before this subcommittee. Mr. Littlejohn asked for a closed session to make his explanation, which was held. Subsequently Senator Ferguson, holding that the information divulged should not be kept in confidence, released the reasons. He stated that Mr. Littlejohn explained that Mr. Boyd had been fired because of physical disabilities and the fact that he had been unable to keep up with his job; otherwise, he said that Mr. Boyd was a fine gentleman. Committee continues tomorrow.

ITALIAN PEACE TREATY

Committee on Foreign Relations: Secretary of State Marshall and former Secretary James Byrnes testified and urged support and ratification of the Italian Peace Treaty. Hearings were recessed subject to the call of the chairman.

HOUSING—GRANTS TO COLLEGES

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee concluded its hearings on S. 971, to authorize \$250,000,000 for FWA for construction of educational facilities required in the education and training of vet-

erans, after hearing the following witnesses testify in support of the bill: Ordway Tead, representing Mayor O'Dwyer of New York; Ralph McDonald, National Educational Association; Jesse P. Bogue, American Association of Junior Colleges; and Grath H. Akridge, President of the Jacksonville Junior College, Jacksonville, Fla.

Harold V. Stirling, Assistant Administrator for Vocational Rehabilitation and Education of the Veterans' Administration, discussed and analyzed the bill from the point of view of the Veterans' Administration.

On May 16, the committee will hold hearings on S. 48, library demonstration.

VETERANS' SUBSISTENCE

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: The following witnesses appeared in support of veterans' subsistence legislation, generally, before the Subcommittee on Veterans' Affairs in connection with its study of bills relating to education and on-the-job training programs established by the Servicemen's Readjustment Act (S. 112, S. 208, S. 324, S. 326, S. 407, S. 855, S. 914, S. 956, S. 977, S. 986, S. 1056, S. 1232, and S. 1236): Senator Pepper; Francis M. Sullivan, director of national legislation; William E. Tate, national director of claims, Disabled American Veterans; and Omar B. Ketchum, Veterans of Foreign Wars.

Senator Pepper supported his two bills, S. 326 and S. 1056. Mr. Tate and Mr. Sullivan stated that while they were interested in all of the bills pending before the subcommittee, their primary concern was with the men who are undergoing education or training under Public Law 16 of the 78th Congress (those who suffered a vocational handicap as a result of a service-incurred or service-aggravated disability).

Mr. Ketchum favored increasing subsistence and increasing of ceilings for veterans participating in the "on-the-job training programs," supporting specifically S. 1232 and opposing S. 956 and S. 1056. In the case of the other bills, he analyzed each of them, pointing out their advantages and disadvantages. Hearings continue tomorrow.

PUBLIC LANDS

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Public Lands met in executive session to consider bills on its calendar.

RECLAMATION PROJECTS

Committee on Public Lands: Irrigation and reclamation subcommittee continued hearings on S. 912, to exempt certain reclamation projects from the land limitation provisions of the Federal reclamation laws, and received testimony from the following witnesses: Michael W. Strauss, Commissioner of Reclamation; J. J. Deuel, director public utilities department, California Farm Bureau Federation; Boyd Stewart, livestock ranch, Olean, Calif.; and Charles L. Kaupke, water master,

Kings River Water Assn., Fresno, Calif. Hearings continue tomorrow.

COURT OF APPEALS AND WHITE HOUSE POLICE

Committee on Public Works: Committee in executive session approved the following two bills: S. 450, to authorize \$10,300,000 for construction of building for U. S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia,

and S. 1022, to authorize an adequate White House police force.

The nomination of Col. Samuel N. Karrick, Corps of Engineers, to be a member of California Debris Commission, was ordered reported favorably to the Senate.

Subcommittee continues hearings tomorrow on stream pollution bill (S. 418).

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Thirteen public bills, H. R. 3329-3351; ten private bills, H. R. 3352-3361; and four resolutions, H. Res. 207, H. J. Res. 190, and H. Con. Res. 46 and 47, were introduced.

Pages 4646-4648

Bills Reported: Bills and resolutions were reported, as follows:

S. 591, amending the act of 1905, to incorporate the American Red Cross (H. Rept. 337); and

H. R. 3001, providing safeguards to the issuance of passports (H. Rept. 338).

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Private Calendar: The House considered private claims bills on the Private Calendar and took the following action:

Passed without amendment: H. R. 334, 1067, 2257, S. J. Res. 86, and S. 874.

Passed with amendments: H. R. 407, 765, 821, 889, 1015, 1788, 1866, 1956, 770, and 1954.

Passed over without prejudice: H. R. 354, 1585, 559, 2631, and 1742.

Objected to, and recommitted: H. R. 385 and 619.

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Red Cross: Considered and agreed to S. 591, amending the act of January 5, 1905, to incorporate the American National Red Cross.

An amendment, recommended by the Committee on Foreign Affairs, was adopted, making clear that the United States is not bound to operate only through the Red Cross in international relief matters, such as the relief to war-devastated countries provided in H. J. Res. 153.

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Greek-Turkish Assistance: Considered and agreed to H. Res. 205, an open rule, providing 9 hours of general debate on H. R. 2616, assistance to Greece and Turkey. Under the rule, upon completion of consideration of the House bill, S. 938, the similar Senate bill recently passed, will be eligible to be taken up and passed with the text of the House bill inserted as an amendment. By this provision the legislation can be sent to conference between the two bodies at once.

Thereafter, the House, in Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union, spent 5 hours in general debate on the Greek-Turkish bill.

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Reports on Committee Meetings

FARM PROGRAM

Committee on Agriculture: Continued hearings on long-range farm program and heard R. C. Woodworth, National Grange Trade Council. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

MILITARY

Committee on Armed Services: Met and ordered favorably reported the following bills: H. R. 3124, to authorize the attendance of the Marine Band at the reunion of the GAR in Cleveland on August 10-14, 1947; H. R. 2276, to authorize the Secretary of War to pay certain expenses incident to training a team to participate in the 7th Winter Sports Olympic Games and the 14th Olympic Games; and H. R. 1379, to establish the United States Naval Postgraduate School.

INTERNATIONAL AIR CARRIERS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Continued hearings on consolidation and merger of international air carriers and heard Tiley L. Ford, chairman, sea-air committee, National Federation of American Shipping, Washington, D. C.; Hubert A. Schneider, attorney for Caribbean-Atlantic Air Lines, Inc., San Juan, Puerto Rico; and Representative Welch. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

AMENDING SHIP SALES ACT—SHELLFISH

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Subcommittee on Ship Sales, Charters, and Lay-ups held hearings on amendments to the Ship Sales Act of 1946 and heard further testimony from representatives of the Maritime Commission.

Subcommittee on Salt Water Fish and Shellfish Problems held hearings on H. R. 572 and H. R. 1763, rehabilitating and replanting oyster beds, and heard

Messrs. Elmore, Gamble, Bickerstaff, Blum, McConnell, Reece, Kief, and Delacruz, Dr. Hopkins and Dr. Gaurenlock.

PUBLIC LANDS

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Public Lands held hearings on H. R. 2962, to provide for establishment of Pony Express National Monument, and H. R. 2852, to authorize transfer of surplus Government lands to Otter Creek recreational demonstration area in Kentucky, and heard Representative Cole (Mo.), who testified in behalf of H. R. 2962; Representative Morton, who testified in behalf of H. R. 2852;

and Conrad L. Worth, National Parks Division, Interior Department, who testified on both bills. Subcommittee ordered H. R. 2852 favorably reported to the full committee.

PAPER

Select Committee on Newsprint and Paper Supply: Met to receive testimony pertaining to paper shortage and heard Wm. G. Chandler, American Newspaper Publishers Association; Sidney A. Lavine, the National Organization of Small Publishers; Harry E. Polk, Williston Daily Herald, Williston, N. Dak.; and Victor Levitt, Trade Union Service, New York City. Hearings continue tomorrow.

Wednesday, May 7, 1947

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate continued debate on labor bill and by a vote of 43 to 44 rejected Ball amendment; House concluded general debate on Greek-Turkish assistance bill.

Bills on forest protection, extension of soil conservation program to Virgin Islands, and investigation of agriculture approved by Senate group.

Spanish-American War pension bill approved by House Committee.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 4648-4650.

Bills Introduced: Six bills were introduced, as follows: S. 1240-S. 1245. Page 4650

Bills Reported: Bill was reported, as follows: S. 1022, authorizing adequate White House Police force (S. Rept. 157). Page 4649

Bills Referred: The following House-passed private claims bills were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary: H. R. 334, 407, 765, 770, 821, 889, 1015, 1067, 1788, 1866, 1954, 1956, and 2257. (For passage in House, see Digest, p. D149.) Page 4650

Red Cross: Concurred in the House amendments to S. 591, reincorporating the American Red Cross, clearing the bill for the President's signature. Page 4648

Nominations: The following nominations were received: William E. Warne of California, to be Assistant Secretary of the Interior; Vice Admiral Alexander Sharp, to be placed on the retired list with the rank of Vice Admiral, and 37 promotions in the Foreign Service. Page 4682

Labor Legislation: Senate continued debate on S. 1126, labor bill, and by a vote of 43 yeas to 44 nays defeated the

amendment sponsored by Senator Ball and others defining the term "representatives" to mean a labor organization composed solely of employees of one employer or employees employed in the same metropolitan district by different employers, and making it an unfair labor practice for a national union to coerce a local union in the exercise of the collective-bargaining processes. Later Senator Barkley moved to reconsider the vote and this motion was laid on the table by voice vote at the motion of Senator Hatch, thus prohibiting future reconsideration of the Ball amendment. An amendment by Senator Flanders was adopted which would clarify the definition of the term "supervisor." By unanimous consent it was ordered that at 12:30, May 8, the Senate would vote on the amendment offered by Senators Ball, Byrd, George, and Smith relating to restrictions on payments to employee representatives. Pages 4650-4681

Reports on Committee Meetings

AGRICULTURE INVESTIGATION; FOREST PROTECTION, AND VIRGIN ISLANDS

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: In executive session the committee approved S. Con. Res. 11, to create a joint committee of 14 to investigate certain matters

affecting agriculture, with amendments; S. 597, to provide for the protection of forests against destructive insects and diseases, without amendment; and S. 512, to extend provisions of the Bankhead-Jones Farm Tenant Act and the Soil Conservation and Domestic Allotment Act to the Virgin Islands, with perfecting amendment. Reports on bills are expected to be filed tomorrow.

INTERIOR APPROPRIATION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on H. R. 3123, Interior Department Appropriation Bill, heard the following witnesses: Lee Muck, Land Utilization Division; Edward N. Cavanaugh, Director of Soil Conservation; Vernon D. Northrup, Director of the Budget and Administrative Management Division; Fred W. Johnson, Director, Bureau of Land Management; Joel David Wolfsohn, Associate Director; Thomas C. Havell, Chief, Branch of Adjudication; Depue Falck, Chief, Branch of Administration; J. Will Robinson, Chief, Branch of Range Management; A. Z. Nelson, Acting Chief, Branch of Timber and Resource Management; and Milton W. Reid, Acting Assistant Chief, Branch of Range Management.

NATIONAL DEFENSE ESTABLISHMENT

Committee on Armed Services: Continuing hearings on S. 758, to create a National Defense Establishment, the committee heard Fleet Admiral William F. Halsey, Representative Andrews of New York, and Brig. Gen. Merritt A. Edson, USMC. Admiral Halsey warned against legislation that would permit one branch of the armed service to swallow another branch. Representative Andrews supported the bill, and suggested several amendments. General Edson opposed the bill, saying the proposed Executive order to be issued when the President approves the bill, would not adequately protect the Marine Corps. Hearings continue Friday, May 9.

WAR SURPLUS ADMINISTRATION

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Subcommittee heard further testimony from WAA Administrator Robert M. Littlejohn on the dismissal of M. M. Boyd as Deputy Administrator of the WAA; he also discussed the question of price policy on surplus machine tools. Robert M. Field, WAA Associate Administrator, also testified on both of these issues. Committee adjourned subject to the call of the Chair.

INCOME TAX REDUCTION

Committee on Finance: In executive session the committee heard Senator McCarran discuss two of his proposed amendments relative to double taxation of corporate dividends and deductions of expenditures for improvement or construction of real or personal property; Senator McClellan support three of his amendments

on community property, increase of personal income tax exemptions, and family partnerships; and Senator Hick-enlooper talk about family partnerships. Committee continues tomorrow.

VETERANS' SUBSISTENCE

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Continuing hearings on veterans' bills relating to education and on-the-job training programs, established by the Servicemen's Readjustment Act (S. 112, S. 208, S. 324, S. 326, S. 407, S. 855, S. 914, S. 956, S. 977, S. 986, S. 1056, S. 1232, and S. 1236), the committee heard Chet Paterson, American Veterans' Committee, Elliott Newcomb, AMVETS, and Clarence Adamy, AMVETS, testify generally in favor of increasing subsistence allowances and increasing the ceilings established for on-the-job training programs. Hearings continue tomorrow.

RECLAMATION PROJECTS

Committee on Public Lands: Irrigation and Reclamation Subcommittee continuing its hearings on S. 912, to exempt certain reclamation projects from the land limitation provisions of the Federal reclamation laws, heard Senator Johnson of Colorado and three representatives from the San Luis Valley (Colorado project) testify in support of the bill, and the following witnesses appear in opposition to the bill: William W. Warne, Assistant Commissioner, Bureau of Reclamation; George Sehlmeier, O. M. Davis, and Frank Swett, all of California.

STREAM POLLUTION

Committee on Public Works: Subcommittee on Flood Control and Rivers and Harbors heard R. W. Digges, Hampton Roads Sanitation District Commission, Va., direct his attention to certain financial features of the bill; Andrew B. Crichton, Johnstown Coal & Coke Co., Johnstown, Pa., oppose the bill on grounds that control of pollution is a function of the State, and in any event coal mine drainage relating to stream pollution should be exempt from provisions of the bill; Dr. Harold J. Rose, vice president and director of research of Bituminous Coal Research, Inc., oppose the bill because of the very general wording and lack of any tangible limits or specifications as to what constitutes pollution, and because it places too much power in one agency; and Harry Gandy, Jr., National Coal Association, oppose the bill. Hearings continue tomorrow.

SMALL NEWSPAPERS—LABOR UNIONS

Special Committee to Study Problems of American Small Business: In connection with its investigation of problems of smaller newspapers, the Subcommittee on Newsprint and Paper Shortages heard Woodruff Randolph, president of International Typographical Union, accompanied by other officials of the union, testify in answer to previous testimony on this same subject by representatives of newspaper associations.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Twelve public bills, H. R. 3362-3373; two private bills, H. R. 3374-3375; and two resolutions, H. J. Res. 191 and H. Con. Res. 48, were introduced. Page 4744

Bills Referred: The following Senate-passed bills were referred to the respective House committees: S. 800 (Banking and Currency); S. 629 (District of Columbia); S. 640 (Interstate and Foreign Commerce); S. 361, S. 423, S. 560, S. 620, S. 664, and S. 665 (Judiciary); S. 125, S. 554, and S. 614 (Post Office and Civil Service); S. 552 and S. 583 (Public Lands); and S. 980 (Public Works). Three other bills having comparable House bills as follows: S. 273 (H. R. 2076), S. 534 (H. R. 1999), and S. 854 (H. R. 2780). (For passage of these bills in the Senate, see Digest, pp. D146-147.) Page 4743

Greek-Turkish Assistance: Concluded all of its 9-hour general debate on H. R. 2616, Greek-Turkish assistance bill. Pages 4684-4743

Reports on Committee Meetings

FARM PROGRAM

Committee on Agriculture: Continued hearings on long-range farm program and heard C. W. Kitchen, executive vice president, United Fresh Fruit & Vegetable Association. Hearings continue tomorrow.

BANKING

Committee on Banking and Currency: Met in executive session.

D. C. INSURANCE

Committee on the District of Columbia: Subcommittee on Public Utilities, Insurance, and Banking held hearings on various insurance bills, and heard Representatives Gwynne (Iowa), author of H. R. 951; H. D. Scott, Jr., author of H. R. 1458; Simpson of Illinois, author of H. R. 1717; Poulson, author of H. R. 2954; and McMillen of Illinois, author of H. R. 3287. In addition, eleven other witnesses were heard.

EDUCATION

Committee on Education and Labor: Met in executive session to plan future program of committee.

NATIONAL SECURITY ACT OF 1947

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: May 6, in a night session the committee heard General Vandegrift request that the basic functions of the Marine Corps be defined in the bill.

May 7, the committee met and heard General Eisenhower, who testified in favor of pending legislation and stated he could see no cause of apprehension on part of Marine Corps. Hearings continue tomorrow with General Eisenhower.

INTERNATIONAL AIR CARRIERS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Continued hearings on consolidation and merger of international air carriers, and heard James C. Buckley, Port of New York Authority, New York City; and Oswald Ryan, vice chairman, Civil Aeronautics Board, Department of Commerce. Hearings continue tomorrow.

PRIVATE CLAIMS—IMMIGRATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Claims considered a number of private claims measures and agreed to recommend 13 favorably and 4 adversely to the full committee.

Subcommittee on Immigration and Naturalization agreed to recommend five private immigration bills favorably and three unfavorably to the full committee.

AMENDING SHIP SALES ACT

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Subcommittee on Ship Sales, Charters, and Lay-ups continued hearings on amendments to the Ship Sales Act of 1946 and heard the Commissioners of the Maritime Commission; and Col. Arthur Syran, Dan Brierley, and Mr. Gorman, also of the Maritime Commission. Hearings continue tomorrow.

VETERANS' PREFERENCE

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Vursell Subcommittee met on H. R. 1389, veterans' preference, and ordered the bill favorably reported, with amendment, to the full committee.

ALASKA HOMESTEAD

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Public Lands held hearings on H. R. 868 and H. R. 1548, homesteading in Alaska by veterans, and heard C. M. Granger, Assistant Chief, U. S. Forest Service, who discussed the forest situation and problems in Alaska; Frank Heintzleman, Regional Forester in Alaska, who testified in opposition to the bills; and O. S. Aamodt, Bureau of Plant Industry, Department of Agriculture. Hearings continue tomorrow.

PAPER

Select Committee on Newsprint and Paper Supply: Met and received testimony describing the effects of the paper shortage on the printing industry, from Charles E. Moreau, chairman, newsprint committee, National

RECIPROCAL TRADE

Committee on Ways and Means: Continued hearings on reciprocal trade agreements and heard Charles W. Holman, secretary, the National Cooperative Milk Producers Federation, Washington, D. C., who testified against the reciprocal trade program; and C. D. Jackson, vice president, Time, Inc., New York, N. Y., who testified in favor of the existing program. Hearings continue tomorrow.

Following the executive meeting of May 6, the chairman announced the appointment of Lynn L. Stratton as tax adviser for the committee.

REPORT ON JOINT COMMITTEE MEETINGS

ECONOMIC QUESTIONNAIRE

Joint Committee on the Economic Report: Subcommittee on Price Questionnaire approved two plans for gathering information: (1) accepted Dun & Bradstreet's services in collecting current factual information on business conditions and expectations (forms of economic questionnaires were released to the press); (2) instructed staff to complete preparation of a questionnaire to be distributed later by the committee which will be more analytical, dealing with the basic principles which should guide both industry and government in formulating public and private policy to promote a high and stable level of productive activity.

Thursday, May 8, 1947

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate adopted labor amendment relating to restrictions on payments to employee representatives and agreed to vote on amendment on boycotts and other unlawful combinations; House continued consideration of Greek-Turkish assistance bill.

Finance Committee to begin voting on tax bill tomorrow.

Four judicial and two currency bills approved by House committees.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 4754-4757, 4771-4786.

Bills Introduced: Six bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 1246-S. 1252; S. Con. Res. 14. Page 4756

Bills Reported: Bills and resolutions were reported, as follows:

S. 512, to extend the provisions of the Farm Tenant Act and the Soil Conservation Act to the Virgin Islands (S. Rept. 158);

S. 597, to provide protection of forests against insects and diseases (S. Rept. 159); and

S. Con. Res. 11, creating a joint committee of 14 to investigate certain matters affecting agriculture (S. Rept. 160). Page 4755

Indians: On motion of Senator Robertson (Wyoming), the passage of H. R. 1098, providing for \$300 payments to each enrolled member of Shoshone and Arapaho Tribes in Wyoming, was reconsidered. Certain technical amendments were adopted and the bill then repassed. Page 4770

Labor Legislation: Senate continued debate on S. 1126, labor bill, and by 48 yeas to 40 nays adopted an amendment sponsored by Senator Ball and others, relating to restrictions on payments to employee representatives. By unanimous consent it was ordered that the Senate would vote at 1 p. m., May 9, on the amendment offered by Senators Ball, Byrd, Donnell, and George on boycotts and other unlawful combinations. Senator Taft offered a substitute for this amendment, which is similar to it but which omits the section making it the duty of U. S. attorneys to institute proceedings for violations of the section, and also omits reference to the Clayton Act.

Pages 4745-4754, 4757-4770, 4786-4789

Education: The bill, S. 1239, relating to the creation of the Department of Education, was referred to the Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments, and the Committee on Labor and Public Welfare, to which the bill had been referred, was relieved of further consideration.

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Nomination: Appointment of Otto Schoen, to be marshal for the eastern district of Missouri, was received.

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Reports on Committee Meetings

INTERIOR APPROPRIATION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on H. R. 3123, Interior Department appropriation bill, heard Walter W. Hallanan, Chairman of the National Petroleum Council; William Zimmerman, Jr., Assistant Commissioner, Bureau of Indian Affairs; John McGue, Chief Administrative Officer; Willard W. Beatty, Director of Education; Dr. Ralph B. Snively, Director of Health; Edward A. Poynton, Director of Construction; and Don C. Foster, General Superintendent, Alaska Native Service.

NURSERY SCHOOLS

Committee on the District of Columbia: Subcommittee on S. 751, continuance of child day-care nursery schools, heard the following witnesses oppose the bill: Commissioner Guy Mason; Corporation Counsel Vernon West; Raymond F. Clapp, Acting Director of the Board of Public Welfare; Lucille Lewis, superintendent, Child Day-Care Center; and Mrs. B. G. McIlwee. Favoring the proposal were William O. Tufts, Community Chest; Marguerite E. Gray, chairman, Parents' Committee for Child Care; Florence Orbach, Auxiliary United Public Workers; Florence Overson, River Terrace Citizens Association; Margaret H. Morell; and Ellen N. An-

druzzi, legislative chairman, Parents Committee for Child Day Care.

INCOME TAX REDUCTION

Committee on Finance: In an afternoon executive session the committee discussed H. R. 1, to reduce individual income taxes, but failed to reach a vote on any of its provisions. Chairman Millikin announced that he intends for the committee to begin voting on the measure immediately at tomorrow's meeting in hopes of reaching final approval; if not, the committee will meet on Saturday to finish up with the bill.

VETERANS' SUBSISTENCE

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee on Veterans' Affairs, continuing hearings on veterans' bills, relating to education and on-the-job training programs, established by the Servicemen's Readjustment Act (for bill numbers see Digest p. D151), heard six witnesses representing the organization known as Operations Subsistence, and who are now students at various universities under the GI bill of rights, testify in support of legislation to increase substantially the ceilings for subsistence allowances to single, married, and married veterans with dependents for university training under the GI bill of rights.

RECLAMATION PROJECTS

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation in an afternoon session heard four citizens of California in opposition to S. 912, to exempt from land limitation provisions of the Federal reclamation laws, the San Luis Valley project of Colorado, the Valley Gravity Canal project of Texas, and the Central Valley projects of California. The subcommittee continues tomorrow and the full committee meets on Monday, May 12, to consider calendar business.

ARABIAN OIL

Special Committee to Investigate the National Defense Program: In executive session, with an intent to establish the facts with respect to the present location and custody of the late President Roosevelt's documents and records, and to clarify the position of the executors of the estate with respect to their making these documents available to the committee, the committee heard testimony from the following witnesses: Solon J. Buck, Archivist of the U. S.; Grace G. Tully, former secretary to the late President Roosevelt; Basil O'Connor, executor; Henry T. Hackett, executor; L. R. Koons, attorney for the executors; Fred W. Shipman, Director of the Roosevelt Library at Hyde Park; and George M. Else, Special Assistant at the White House.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Eleven public bills, H. R. 3376-3386; and four private bills, H. R. 3387-3390, were introduced.

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Bill Reported: A bill was reported as follows: H. R. 436, a private bill, for the relief of Roger Edgar Lapiere (H. Rept. 339).

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Greek-Turkish Assistance: In a 6-hour session, continued consideration of the bill, H. R. 2616, assistance to Greece and Turkey, adopted committee amendments to section 1 of the measure, and rejected other amendments offered from the floor. One proposal, to strike out the enacting clause, which would kill the bill, was voted down by a vote of 127 to 37.

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Reports on Committee Meetings

FARM PROGRAM

Committee on Agriculture: Continued hearings on long-range farm program and heard Charles G. Rohrer, North Manchester, Ind.; and Carl Wilken, economic analyst, Raw Materials National Council, Sioux City, Iowa.

MILITARY

Committee on Armed Services: Personnel Subcommittee held executive session on H. R. 2537, Navy promotion bill, and H. R. 2536, Army promotion bill.

CURRENCY—EXPORT-IMPORT BANK

Committee on Banking and Currency: Held hearings on S. 565, reducing the number of trial pieces of coins, and S. 566, making certain changes in the deviations allowed in standard of ingots and weight of silver coins, and heard Leland Howard, Assistant Director of the Mint, and Stephen J. Spingarn, Assistant General Counsel, Bureau of the Mint. Both bills were ordered favorably reported. Committee also heard William McChesney Martin, Jr., president of the Export-Import Bank; August Maffry, vice president and economic adviser; and Walter C. Sauer, assistant general counsel, on S. 993, to provide for the reincorporation of Export-Import Bank of Washington. Hearings continue tomorrow.

FEDERAL AID TO EDUCATION

Committee on Education and Labor: Subcommittee on Education continued hearings on various bills pertaining to Federal aid to education, and heard Representatives Battle, Allen of California, Morton, and Pace, all of whom testified in favor of the legislation. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

NATIONAL SECURITY ACT OF 1947

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Continued hearings on H. R. 2319, National Security Act of 1947, and heard Gen. Dwight Eisenhower, who testified favorably to the pending measure. He also advocated an interchange of students between the U. S. Military Academy and the U. S. Naval Academy. Hearings will continue tomorrow, at which time further testimony will be received from General Eisenhower, and General Spaatz will also appear.

INTERNATIONAL AIR CARRIERS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Continued hearings on consolidation and merger of international air carriers and heard George F. Glacy, controller, Boston & Maine Railroad. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

The committee today announced a 1-day public hearing on H. R. 2298, railroad reorganization, May 19, at 10 a. m., 1334 New House Office Building.

JUDICIAL

Committee on the Judiciary: Met in executive session and ordered favorably reported to the House the following bills: H. R. 325, transferring Blair County, Pa., from middle judicial district to western judicial district; H. R. 1436, additional judge for southern district of New York; H. R. 1054, making permanent judgeship for eastern and western districts of Missouri; H. R. 2746, authorizing appointment of secretaries for circuit and district judges; and also several private immigration bills.

MERCHANT MARINE

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Subcommittee on Ship Sales, Charters, and Lay-ups held hearings on amendments to Ship Sales Act of 1946 and heard Maitland S. Pennington, vice president, National Federation of American Shipping; Elmon E. Ross, president, National Federation of American Shipping; and James A. McCullough, National Federation of American Shipping; and Wilbur E. Dowell, of Dowell & Symmers, New York City.

Subcommittee on Panama Canal held hearings on various bills relative to annuities for employees engaged in the construction of the Panama Canal, and heard Representative Arends; Lewis H. Fisher, counsel for Canals Construction Service Committee; Walter J. Jones, Washington legislative representative for Central Labor Union and Metal Trades Council of the Panama Canal Zone; R. M. Lovelady, vice president, American Federation of Government Employees, Canal Zone; W. C. Hushing,

chairman, national legislative committee, A. F. of L.; and Roger S. Erdman. H. R. 1260, with amendment, and H. R. 2273 were ordered favorably reported to the full committee.

Subcommittee on Coast Guard, Coast and Geodetic Survey, and Public Health Service held hearings on H. R. 72, increasing number of aviation stations operated by Coast Guard, and heard representatives of the Coast Guard.

POSTAL RATES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Met in executive session on H. R. 2408, postal rates.

ALASKA HOMESTEAD—MILITARY CEMETERIES

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Public Lands held hearings on H. R. 577, discontinuance of policy of transferring bodies from historic military graveyards to national cemeteries. The bill was ordered favorably reported to the full committee. Subcommittee also held hearings on H. R. 868, homesteading in Alaska by veterans, and heard Ray H. Brannamen, senior vice commander in chief, VFW, and John R. Scott, assistant director, VFW, both of whom testified in favor of the bill.

PUBLIC WORKS—D. C. RED CROSS

Committee on Public Works: Subcommittee on Rivers and Harbors held executive session on H. R. 1610, authorizing the Cairo, Ill., Bridge Commission to issue refunding bonds, and H. R. 1628, granting to Illinois all rights of the U. S. to the right-of-way of the Illinois and Michigan Canal. Both bills were ordered favorably reported to the full committee.

Subcommittee on Public Buildings and Grounds held hearings on H. J. Res. 164, erection of a permanent building for the District of Columbia Chapter of American Red Cross, and heard Dr. Edward F. Harris, Lincoln Civic Association; Mrs. Mattie Danford, counsellor, PTA, Briggs-Montgomery School; Rev. J. A. Moore; Rev. Edgar Newton; Rev. L. C. Murray; Rev. W. A. Stewart; Mercer E. Sampson, Federation of Civic Organizations; and Dr. C. H. Marshall, Georgetown, D. C., all of whom testified in opposition to the bill; and Hon. J. Clifford Folger, D. C. Chapter, American Red Cross; John Ihlder, National Capital Housing Authority; and H. G. Hunter, PBA, all of whom testified in favor of the bill. Hearings continue tomorrow. Following the hearings, the subcommittee held an executive session on H. R. 310, authorizing the delivery of water from the District of Columbia water system to the Falls Church or other water systems in the metropolitan area of the District of Columbia in Virginia, and ordered the bill favorably reported to the full committee.

FEDERAL BARGE LINES

Select Committee on Small Business: Held hearings on proposed sale of Federal Barge Lines and heard W. G.

Oliphant, general traffic manager of Federal Barge Lines, who reviewed the history of the line over a period of years, giving detailed data on rates, tonnage hauled, etc. He outlined possibilities of Line with revision of all-water, joint rail and water, and rail-barge-rail rates. Final hearing will be held tomorrow, at which time A. C. Ingersoll, Jr., president of Federal Barge Lines, will testify.

VETERANS

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Subcommittee on Compensation and Pensions held hearings on H. R. 2741, authorizing automobiles for amputee veterans, and heard Gen. Omar N. Bradley, Administrator of Veterans' Affairs, giving views of Veterans' Administration on the bill; Henry S. Chick, executive assistant for claims, Veterans' Administration; Aaron Murray Sulkin (blind veteran from Baltimore); Sergeant Beamon (double arm amputee); Gilford S. Moss (paraplegic veteran from Hines Hospital, Ill.); Alfred L. Gore (paraplegic veteran from Hines Hospital, Ill.); Tom Kennedy (blind veteran from Baltimore); and William Floyd, national commander, Regular Veterans' Association.

Subcommittee on Hospitals held hearings on H. Con. Res. 26, use of Schick Hospital at Clinton, Iowa, for the Veterans' Administration, and heard Dr. Paul R. Hawley, medical director, Veterans' Administration, Schick General Hospital, Clinton, Iowa; and Representative Martin (Iowa).

RECIPROCAL TRADE

Committee on Ways and Means: May 7, held night session on reciprocal trade agreements and heard Charles W. Holman, secretary, the National Cooperative Milk Producers Federation, Washington, D. C., who testified in opposition to the reciprocal trade program; C. D. Jackson, vice president, Time, Inc., N. Y.; J. Conn Lanier, Independent Tobacco Exporters, Greenville, N. C.; Benjamin A. Javits, New York, N. Y.; and Morris S. Rosenthal, executive president, National Council of American Importers, New York, N. Y., all of whom appeared in favor of the existing program.

May 8, continued hearings on reciprocal trade agreements and heard James B. Carey, secretary, CIO, Washington, D. C.; James W. Bevans, general counsel, American Watch Assemblers, N. Y.; Russ Nixon, United Electrical Radio & Machine Workers of America, Washington, D. C.; and Dr. Helen Dwight Reid, American Association of University Women, Washington, D. C., all of whom testified in favor of the existing program; and Walter N. Maule and G. M. Griscom, U. S. Mushroom Industry, Kennebec Square, Pa., who appeared in opposition to further reductions under reciprocal trade agreements. Hearings continue tomorrow.

Friday, May 9, 1947

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate adopted amendment on boycotts and rejected several others; House passed Greek-Turkish assistance measure.

Income-tax reduction bill and peace treaties with Italy, Rumania, Bulgaria, and Hungary approved by Senate committees.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 4847-4857.

Bills Introduced: Twelve bills and four resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1253-S. 1264, and S. J. Res. 111-114.

Pages 4847, 4856, 4907

Peace Treaties: Treaties of peace with Italy, Rumania, Bulgaria, and Hungary (Executive F, G, H, and I, respectively) were reported.

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Labor Legislation: Senate continued consideration of S. 1126, labor bill, and by a vote of 28 yeas to 62 nays defeated the amendment sponsored by Senator Ball and others outlawing boycotts and jurisdictional strikes.

The Taft amendment, also relating to boycotts and other unlawful combinations but omitting the power of injunction and all reference to the Clayton and the Norris-LaGuardia Acts, was adopted, 65 yeas to 26 nays. Earlier Senator Aiken's amendment to the Taft amendment, to provide for the issuance of injunctions where labor disputes interfered with the marketing of perishable commodities, was defeated, 36 yeas to 54 nays.

The amendment of Senator Malone, requiring approval of three-fourths of employees to establish a union shop, was rejected by voice vote.

Senator Ive's amendment, requiring notification of State and Territorial mediation agencies, when such exist, in labor disputes, was adopted without objection.

Senator McCarthy's amendment, relative to discharge of Communists, was rejected by voice vote.

The amendment of Senators Ball and Byrd to abolish the union shop, was defeated, 22 yeas, 56 nays.

Senator McClellan's amendment on "free speech" for employers and employees was adopted by voice vote; a second amendment prohibiting certification of a labor organization if one or more of its national or international officers are members of the Communist Party, was adopted by division vote.

Amendments by Senator O'Daniel, providing that no person shall be denied employment because of membership or nonmembership in a labor union and making it unlawful to prevent any person from engaging in a lawful vocation, were rejected by division vote.

Proposal of Senator Taylor to provide for secret ballot of corporation stockholders on offers made by labor organizations, in case of disputes, was defeated by voice vote.

The amendment in the nature of a substitute for the entire bill, offered by Senator Murray and others, is the pending business.

Several unanimous consent agreements, to fix a time to vote, were proposed but objection was heard to each.

Pages 4834-4847, 4857-4907

Reports on Committee Meetings

INTERIOR APPROPRIATION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on H. R. 3123, Interior Department appropriation bill, heard testimony from Warner W. Gardner, Assistant Secretary; Vernon D. Northrup, Director of Division of Budget and Administrative Management; and William Zimmerman, Assistant Commissioner, John McGue, Chief Administrative Assistant, and A. L. Wathen, Chief Engineer, all of Bureau of Indian Affairs.

SECOND DEFICIENCY APPROPRIATION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee held hearings on H. R. 3245, Second Deficiency Appropriation, with the following witnesses testifying: Brig. Gen. J. C. Mehafeey, on the Panama Canal item; ICC Secretary W. P. Bartel; Homer C. King, Deputy Director ODT; Maj. Gen. Lewis B. Hershey; Jesse M. Donaldson, First Assistant Postmaster General; John D. Hardy, Office of the Second Assistant Postmaster General; Senator Young; Lester H. Prince, New York State Department of Commerce; Lee Rogers, Layne-Western Co., Dr. C. Earl Albrecht, Commissioner of Health, Alaska; Delegate Bartlett of Alaska; Ernest L. Wilkinson and Boyd J. Jackson, representing the Klamath Tribe; Comptroller General Lindsay Warren; Glen A. Wilkinson, Menominee Tribe; S. Franklin Shaw, Osage Tribe; N. T. Veatch, American Water Works Association; Clifford H. Stone, Colorado Water Conservation Board; Don McBride, National Reclamation Association; and Miss Fredericka Martin, New York City.

NATIONAL DEFENSE ESTABLISHMENT

Committee on Armed Services: Continuing hearings on S. 758, to create the National Defense Establishment, the committee heard Ferdinand Eberstadt, former chairman of the Army-Navy Munitions Board, and Brig. Gens. Milton A. Reckord and Ellard A. Walsh, National Guard Association of the U. S. Mr. Eberstadt strongly favored the bill but recommended certain amendments: (1) That the powers of the Secretary of National Defense be clearly defined and delineated; (2) that the power of decision in their respective fields be conferred upon the chairmen of the Munitions Board, the Research and Development Agency, and the National Security Resources Board; (3) that the bill establish appropriate agencies to review periodically the several systems of education and training of military personnel; (4) and that an appropriate body be created and charged directly with the duty of establishing consistent and equitable personnel policies. Generals Reckord and Walsh favored the bill but urgently recommended that suitable language be inserted, similar to the amendment submitted by Senator Wilson to S. 758, to set up in the National Defense Establishment, the National Guard and Naval Militia Bureau, to have the administration and general supervision of the National Guard and the Naval Militia.

GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES

Committee on Civil Service: Subcommittee continuing its investigation of certain matters relating to officers and employees of the Federal Government, heard Walter Jones and R. M. Lovelady, Central Labor Council of the Panama Canal Zone, continue their testimony (see Digest, p. D148.) Luther C. Steward, National Federation of Federal Employees; Robert Weinstein, director, United Public Workers of America; and Robert C. Bernard, First Assistant to the Assistant Solicitor General, all appeared to discuss the problem of filling Government jobs in the Canal Zone.

The committee staff submitted an analysis of the terms of the Panamanian treaty and the Executive order as it refers to the employment of persons in Government jobs in the Canal Zone. Committee meets again on Monday, May 12, on Government cafeterias.

FEDERAL OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: In executive session the committee met and discussed Senator Aiken's amendment in the nature of a substitute to S. 544, to increase maximum subsistence allowances for Federal officers and employees to \$10 a day, but took no action.

INCOME-TAX REDUCTION

Committee on Finance: By a vote of 8 to 5, in executive session, the committee approved H. R. 1, to provide for

individual income-tax reduction. Report is expected to be filed the first of next week.

As approved for reporting to the Senate, the bill embodies the House-passed version, with the following exceptions: The effective date is to be July 1, 1947; the rates will be the same as approved by the House, except the 20-percent reduction allowed by the House on income up to \$302,396 will be decreased to 15 percent from \$79,729 up to \$302,396. The provision allowing an extra \$500 exemption for persons over 65 years of age was changed to a per person basis, and making it applicable to all persons over 65 regardless of whether they have nontaxable income.

Senator Lucas withdrew his amendment intended as a substitute for H. R. 1, with the understanding that he might submit it, or any part thereof, on the floor. Several members of the committee were recorded as reserving the right to support certain amendments on the floor. All amendments before the committee were laid aside pending a general tax revision bill on which the House Ways and Means Committee will begin work very shortly.

The committee also unanimously approved S. 1073, to extend until June 30, 1949, the time during which persons may serve in certain executive departments and agencies without being prohibited from acting as counsel, agent, or attorney for prosecuting claims against the U. S. by reason of having so served.

PEACE TREATIES

Committee on Foreign Relations: The committee unanimously reported the treaties of peace with Italy, Rumania, Bulgaria, and Hungary (Executive F, G, H, and I, respectively).

NOMINATION OF JED JOHNSON

Committee on the Judiciary: Former Secretary of the Interior Ickes appeared before the subcommittee to testify against the nomination of Jed Johnson, to be judge of the U. S. Customs Court. Former Congressman J. V. McClintock and William Howard Payne testified in support of the nomination.

VETERANS' SUBSISTENCE

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Continuing hearings on veterans' bills, relating to education and on-the-job training programs, established by the Servicemen's Readjustment Act (for bill numbers see Digest p. D151), the subcommittee heard Senator Holland testify in support of the Pepper-Holland bill (S. 1056); also three more students, representing the organization known as Operations Subsistence, testified in support of legislation to increase substantially the ceilings for subsistence allowances to single, married, and married veterans with dependents for university training under the GI bill of rights. Col. Sydney P. Simpson, and

Thomas D. Burns, appearing in behalf of the American Bar Association, favored extending provisions of the bills to include lawyers in "on-the-job training."

RECLAMATION PROJECTS

Committee on Public Lands: Senator Knowland appeared before the Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation to support S. 912, to exempt from land limitation provisions of the Federal reclamation laws the San Luis Valley project of Colorado, the Valley Gravity Canal project of Texas, and the Central Valley projects of California. The following witnesses of the Bureau of Reclamation, all of Sacramento, testified in opposition to the bill: Stanley Kerr, regional planning engineer; W. J. Gardner, geologist; David S. Stoner, engineer; and Paul Johnston, analyst.

STREAM POLLUTION

Committee on Public Works: Testifying on S. 418, to provide for control of stream pollution, Harry Gandy,

Jr., National Coal Association, requested of the committee that the bituminous coal industry should be specifically exempted from provisions of the bill; A. C. Fieldner, Chief of the Fuels and Explosives Branch, Bureau of Mines, explained the problems of mine pollution and the progress of abatement measures; and Arthur D. Weston, Conference of State Sanitary Engineers, spoke in favor of the bill. Hearings continue on this bill next Wednesday. The full committee meets on Tuesday, May 13.

MARYLAND CONTESTED ELECTION

Committee on Rules and Administration: Subcommittee on Privileges and Elections reviewed the progress of the five-county recount and investigation of the Maryland senatorial election contest. The subcommittee discussed at some length the 33 categories into which approximately 6,600 remaining disputed ballots have been placed.

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Bills Introduced: Fifteen public bills, H. R. 3391-3405; seven private bills, H. R. 3406-3412; and seven resolutions, H. J. Res. 192-198, were introduced.

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Bills Reported: Bills and resolutions were reported, as follows:

H. R. 2746, providing basic authority for secretaries for circuit and district judges (H. Rept. 340);

H. R. 2915, relief of Mrs. Frederick Faber Wesche (H. Rept. 341);

S. 565, amending section 3539 of the Revised Statutes relative to taking trial pieces of coins (H. Rept. 342);

S. 566, amending section 3539 of the Revised Statutes in respect to deviations in standards and weights of silver coins (H. Rept. 343);

H. R. 969, increasing pensions of Spanish-American War veterans and their dependents (H. Rept. 344); and

H. R. 1054, making permanent the additional district judgeship for the eastern and western districts of Missouri (H. Rept. 345).

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Greek-Turkish Assistance: Completed its consideration of H. R. 2616, Greek-Turkish assistance, and passed the bill with perfecting amendments recommended by the Committee on Foreign Affairs, and immediately thereafter, pursuant to a special rule, called up S. 938, a similar Senate bill, struck out all after the enacting

clause and substituted the provisions of H. R. 2616, as amended, thereby preparing the Senate bill for conference. Aside from minor changes, the bill passed as it was reported from Foreign Affairs by a vote of 287 yeas to 107 nays.

Among the floor amendments was a proposal by Representative Smith of Wisconsin to refer the matter to the United Nations and permit American action only if the UN failed to act within 60 days. This was rejected by a standing vote of 137 to 65. Another proposal by the same Member to reduce the \$400,000,000 authorization by half was turned down by a vote of 121 to 49.

A motion by Representative Bender, of Ohio, to limit the Greek-Turkish aid to economic assistance alone, was defeated by voice vote.

Other proposals rejected were the forbidding of the sending of any combat troops into the two countries; a motion to limit the size of military missions to 100 men; and a motion to limit the aid to Greece alone.

A move by Representative Holifield, of California, to recommit the bill to the Foreign Affairs Committee failed to receive support, and the House prepared for subsequent roll-call passage of the measure.

Pages 4910-4976

Indians: Agreed to Senate amendments to H. R. 1098, authorizing segregation and expenditure of trust funds held jointly by Shoshone and Arapaho Tribes of Wind River Reservation.

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Land Conveyance: Agreed to Senate amendments to H. R. 450, conveyance of Marblehead Military Reservation to the town of Marblehead, Mass. *Page 4977*

Order of Business: On motion of Mr. Halleck, by unanimous consent, the House agreed to consider the Consent Calendar on Monday, May 12. *Page 4976*

Reports on Committee Meetings

FEDERAL AID TO EDUCATION

Committee on Education and Labor: Subcommittee on Education continued hearings on various bills pertaining to Federal aid to education, and heard Representatives Brooks, Hedrick, Lusk, Kefauver, and Hays, and C. F. Colvin, principal, Warren, Ohio, High School, all of whom testified in favor of the pending legislation.

AMENDING SHIP SALES ACT

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Subcommittee on Ship Sales, Charters, and Lay-ups continued hearings on amendments to Ship Sales Act of 1946 and heard Almon E. Roth, president, National Federation of American Shipping; Bush B. Howard, Standard Oil Co. of N. J.; T. E. Buchanan, The Texas Co.; F. R. Pratt, Socony-Vacuum Oil Co.; and R. K. Kelly, Tide-water Oil Co.

ALIENS—PATENTS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Immigration and Naturalization held executive session on H. R. 2933, giving the Attorney General discretionary powers with respect to the suspension of deportation of certain aliens.

Subcommittee on Patents held hearings on H. R. 2520, patent fee bill, and heard P. J. Federico, law examiner,

Patent Office, and Carl Hagland, Executive Officer, Patent Office, who testified in favor of the bill; and Representative Church of Illinois; James A. Emery, National Association of Manufacturers; Hermann F. Cuntz, attorney; Alexander J. Wedderburn, publisher of Patent News; Karl Fenning, patent attorney, Washington, D. C.; Francis D. Stephens, American Patent Law Association; Col. George W. Gardes, Patents Group Chief, Judge Advocate General's Office, War Department; Roland A. Anderson, Atomic Energy Commission; and Fritz G. Lanham, former Representative from Texas; all of whom testified in opposition to the bill. Brig. Gen. R. M. Cutts (ret.) made a statement concerning H. R. 65, H. R. 124, H. R. 1107, and H. R. 1984, relative to extending certain patents.

NOTE.—Eleven committee meetings, originally scheduled, were postponed due to the House meeting at 10 a. m.

REPORT ON JOINT COMMITTEE MEETINGS

ATOMIC ENERGY

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: In executive session to consider international negotiations for the control of atomic energy, Frederick H. Osborn, Deputy American Representative to the UN, discussed the work of the UN Atomic Energy Commission. Committee meets next on Monday, May 12.

BILL SIGNED BY THE PRESIDENT

(New Law)

S. 591, making changes in the charter of the American Red Cross. Signed May 8, 1947 (P. L. 47).

Monday, May 12, 1947

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate agrees to vote tomorrow on labor bill; House passed 31 Consent Calendar bills.

Bills on veterans' housing, public lands, and memorial days approved by Senate groups.

Bill reincorporating Export-Import Bank approved by House Committee.

Senate

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Routine Proceedings pages 4979-4985.

Bills Introduced: Six bills were introduced, as follows: S. 1265-S. 1270. *Page 4981*

Bills Reported: Bills were reported as follows:

S. 1081, to promote the mining of certain minerals on lands acquired by the U. S. (S. Rept. 161);

S. 1154, to amend the Veterans' Emergency Housing Act by striking out \$400 million and inserting in lieu \$75 million (S. Rept. 162);

S. 1073, to extend until June 30, 1949, the period during which persons may serve in certain executive departments without being prohibited from acting as counsel for prosecuting claims against the U. S. (S. Rept. 163); and

S. 450, to provide for the construction of building for U. S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia and Federal District Court (S. Rept. 164). *Page 4981*

Greek-Turkish Loan: On motion of Senator Vandenberg, the Senate disagreed to the amendments of the House to S. 938, to provide assistance to Greece and Turkey, asked for a conference, and the following conferees were appointed: Senators Vandenberg, Capper, Wiley, Connally, and George. *Pages 4995-4996*

Labor Legislation: Continued debate on S. 1126, labor bill, and adopted by voice vote an amendment by Senator Tydings excluding nonprofit hospitals from the definition of the term "employer."

Senator O'Mahoney's amendment clarifying appointment and confirmation of NLRB members was adopted by voice vote.

By unanimous consent it was ordered that all amendments to the bill and the bill itself would be voted on starting at 12:30 p. m., May 13. Under the terms of the agreement no amendments will be submitted after today, and must be germane in order to be considered. The House bill (H. R. 3020) with the Senate language substituted therefor will be the bill voted on finally.

Senator Taft entered a motion to reconsider the adoption of the McClellan amendment relating to certification of unions which have communist officers. *Pages 4985-5017*

Nominations: Promotion of Christian M. Ravndal to Foreign Service officer of career minister class was received. The nomination of William P. Heath, to be postmaster at Esmont, Va., was withdrawn. The nomination of Frank B. Potter, to be U. S. attorney for the northern district of Texas, also was received. *Page 5018*

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LAND BANKS

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Subcommittee heard testimony on S. 925, transfer of Land Bank Commissioner Loan Service to Federal Land Bank System, with I. W. Duggan, Governor of the Farm Credit Administration, giving a detailed report on farm credit operations leading up to the proposed legislation pending before the committee, and stating reasons for recommending transfer of this type loan service to the Federal Land Bank System. W. W. Martin, Director, Federal Land Bank of St. Louis, testified in support of the bill. Hearings continue tomorrow.

INTERIOR APPROPRIATION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on H. R. 3123, Interior Department appropriation bill, received testimony from Senator Cain; Representative Holmes; William Zimmerman, Jr., Assistant Commissioner of the Bureau of Indian Affairs, John McGue, Chief Adminis-

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trative Officer; William W. Beatty, Director of Education; William B. Wright, President American National Livestock Association; Dr. Paul J. Raver, Administrator, Bonneville Power Administration, and D. L. Marlett, Assistant Administrator. Hearings continue tomorrow.

VETERANS' HOUSING AND FDIC STOCK

Committee on Banking and Currency: In executive session the committee reported with amendment S. 1154, to amend the Veterans' Emergency Housing Act of 1946, by striking out 400 million and inserting in lieu thereof 75 million dollars.

Committee held hearings on S. 1070, to provide for the cancellation of the capital stock of the FDIC and refund of moneys received for such stock, with Archibald L. M. Wiggins, Under Secretary of the Treasury, and Maple T. Harl, Chairman, FDIC, testifying. The committee requested that American Bankers Association appear and give their opinion on the bill.

Hearings continue on this bill tomorrow; and on May 20 the committee will open hearings on S. 829, to provide for control and regulation of bank holding companies.

GOVERNMENT CAFETERIAS

Committee on Civil Service: In a discussion of expenditures, operation, and health conditions, the subcommittee, continuing its investigation of Government cafeterias, heard the following witnesses: General U. S. Grant III, president, GSI; J. J. Ryan, general manager and purchasing agent, and R. F. Kruse, secretary, Chicago Post Office Canteen; Robert Arthur, treasurer, and Earl S. Passwaiter, president, Federal Employees Cafeteria, Inc., Post Office, Indianapolis, Ind.; and Henry G. Jenkins, inspector for the D. C. Health Department.

LIQUOR ADVERTISING

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Hearings opened today on S. 265, to prohibit the transportation of liquor advertisements, with testimony from the following: Senators Capper, Langer, and Taylor; Representatives John Phillips and J. R. Bryson; Roswell P. Barnes, Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America; Bishop Wilbur E. Hammaker, the Methodist Board of Temperance; Henry M. Johnson, National Temperance and Prohibition Council; Dr. Robert S. Carroll, Duke University; T. Morton McDonald, attorney; Samuel Reed, Industrial Tape Mills Co.; Dr. Glenn Cunningham, Emporia, Kans.; Rev. Sam Morris, San Antonio, Tex.; Dr. R. H. Martin, National Reform Association; O. G. Christgau, Shops Building, Des Moines, Iowa; D. Leigh Colvin, Gannett Newspapers; Donald B. Cloward, Northern Baptist Convention; Dr. B. L. Scott, Anti-Saloon League of America; Mrs. D. Leigh Colvin, National WCTU; Walter O. Cromwell, Chicago Juvenile Protective Association; Dr. J. M. Dawson, Southern Baptist Convention; W. A. Scharffenberg, American Tem-

perance Society; Mrs. Harvey W. Wiley, Washington, D. C.; Arthur J. Todd, Christian Science Monitor; Dr. J. Warren Hastings, Disciples of Christ; Rev. G. M. Robb, Reformed Presbyterian Church; Herbert H. Parish, National Temperance Movement; Dr. J. Raymond Schmidt, International Order of Good Templars; Rev. Oscar L. Blackwelder, Church of the Reformation; J. T. Sanders, National Grange; and Dr. O. R. Miller, minister, all testifying in favor of the bill. M. Louise Gross, Women's Moderation Union, opposed the bill.

NOMINATIONS AND BILLS APPROVED

Committee on the Judiciary: In executive session the committee approved for reporting to the Senate the following nominations: Owen Burns of Pennsylvania, to be U. S. attorney for the western district of Pennsylvania; Otto F. Heine, of Hawaii, to be U. S. marshal; and Luis Negrón Fernandez, to be Attorney General for Puerto Rico.

The committee also approved four private bills (H. R. 2094, S. 824, S. 116, and H. R. 84), and S. J. Res. 64, proclaiming October 9 of each year as Leif Erikson Day; S. J. Res. 78, designating September 18 of each year as Constitution Day with amendment; S. J. Res. 92, designating April 5, 1947, as Booker T. Washington Day, with amendment; S. 309, to designate fourth Saturday in September of each year as American Indian Day.

The committee indefinitely postponed consideration of S. J. Res. 28, to amend the Constitution to provide uniform laws on marriage and divorce; S. J. Res. 44, designating the period from Thanksgiving Day to Christmas of each year for Nation-wide Bible reading; S. J. Res. 52, to proclaim the week beginning April 13, 1947, as National Courtesy Week; S. J. Res. 54, to give cognizance to the National Security Week; and five private bills (S. 553, S. 627, S. 676, and S. 827).

AMPUTEE VETERANS

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee met on amputee bills (S. 54, S. 65, S. 357, S. 555, S. 606, S. 690, S. 691, S. 1033, and S. 1113) and heard General Omar Bradley, Administrator of the Veterans' Administration, Representative Edith Nourse Rogers, two blind veterans, six amputee servicemen, one amputee veteran, and Quintus E. Camp, Disabled American Veterans, testify in support of continuing the

existing program, to allow amputee veterans \$1,600 for purchase of duly equipped automobiles to aid such veterans in rehabilitation; most of the witnesses proposed liberalizing amendments. Hearings continue tomorrow.

PUBLIC LAND BILLS APPROVED

Committee on Public Lands: Five bills and one nomination were approved by the committee in executive session, as follows: William E. Warne, of California, to be Assistant Secretary of the Interior;

S. 28, to supersede provisions of Reorganization Plan No. 3, of 1946 by reestablishing the Offices of Register of Land Offices and providing for appointment of the director and associate director of the Bureau of Land Management;

S. 272, to utilize surplus War Department-owned military real property for national cemeteries, when feasible, with an amendment to prohibit such cemeteries in excess of 640 acres;

S. 299, to extend the reclamation laws to the State of Arkansas, with an amendment providing that power generated in Arkansas from Federal reclamation projects shall be administered by the Bureau of Reclamation in accordance with the Federal reclamation laws;

S. 1020, to authorize the appropriation of 400 million dollars for paying persons entitled to accumulated "annual leave to the maximum of 90 work days;" and

S. 1081, to promote the mining of certain minerals on lands acquired by the United States, with perfecting amendments.

RECLAMATION PROJECTS

Committee on Public Lands: Continuing hearings on S. 912, to exempt from land limitation provisions of the Federal reclamation laws the San Luis Valley project of Colorado, the Valley Gravity Canal project of Texas, and the Central Valley projects of California, the subcommittee heard the following witnesses testify in opposition to the bill: John R. H. Scott, Veterans of Foreign Wars; Chat Patterson, Disabled American Veterans; Robert Poston, American Legion; Father William Gibbons, National Catholic Rural Life Conference; Mrs. Irene Davison, Bay Area Jewish Forum, Berkeley, Calif.; Jean S. Breitenstein, Attorney for Conejos water conservancy district, Denver, Colo.; and J. T. Sanders, the National Grange. Hearings continue tomorrow.

Bills Reported: Bills were reported as follows:

H. R. 2276, to allow U. S. Army participation in the Olympic Games (H. Rept. 346); and

H. R. 3124, requiring attendance of the Marine Band at 81st National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic.

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Consent Calendar: The House considered and passed the following bills on its Consent Calendar:

H. R. 797 (S. 214 passed in lieu), changing the name of the Lugert-Altus irrigation project to the W. C. Austin project, in Oklahoma.

H. R. 1999 (S. 534 passed in lieu), authorizing additional time off and compensation payment to prison inmates for exceptionally meritorious services.

H. R. 2331, amending sec. 20a of the Interstate Commerce Act requiring the term "carrier" to include sleeping-car companies; and further amending the same section regarding security negotiations by officers of the Commission.

H. R. 1362, permitting all active service to be counted toward promotion as commissioned warrant officer in the U. S. Navy or Marine Corps, rendered by temporary appointee officers of the U. S. Navy or Marine Corps or their reserve components. (Amended.)

H. R. 1371, authorizing the Secretary of the Navy to appoint, for supply duty only, officers of the line of the Marine Corps. (Amended.)

H. R. 2368, amending Veterans Regulation No. 1 (a) to authorize an appropriation of \$3,000,000 as a revolving fund in lieu of \$1,500,000 now authorized. (Amended.)

H. R. 1465 (S. 132 passed in lieu), relieving customs collectors of liability for failure to collect certain special tonnage duties.

H. R. 1467, amending the Espionage Act of 1917 and the Neutrality Act of 1940, so as to increase the penalties for violations of the acts. (Amended.)

H. R. 1565, to codify and enact into positive law, title 1 of the U. S. Code entitled "General Provisions." (Amended.)

H. R. 1566, to codify and enact into positive law, title 4 of the U. S. Code entitled "Flag and Seal, Seat of Government, and the States." (Amended.)

H. R. 1567, to codify and enact into positive law, title 6 of the U. S. Code entitled "Official and Penal Bonds." (Amended.)

H. R. 2083, to codify and enact into positive law, title 17 of the U. S. Code entitled "Copyrights." (Amended.)

H. R. 2084, to codify and enact into positive law, title 9 of the U. S. Code entitled "Arbitration." (Amended.)

H. R. 2237, correcting an error in sec. 342 (b) (8) of the Nationality Act of 1940. (Amended.)

H. R. 2238, (S. 460 passed in lieu), amending the Nationality Act of 1940, changing the section numbered 727 to read "327", relative to nonprofit photographic studios on Federal property. (Amended.)

H. R. 1412, granting to American Legion Post No. 68 of Belzoni, Miss., reversionary interest reserved to Government in lands conveyed to said post.

H. R. 84, amending the Nationality Act of 1940 relating to citizenship status of American citizens who fought in Axis and Allied Armies. (Amended.)

H. R. 2076 (S. 273 passed in lieu), limiting the time within which the General Accounting Office shall make final settlement of the monthly or quarterly accounts of fiscal offices.

H. R. 2353, authorizing the patenting of certain public lands to the State of Montana or the commissioners of Hill County, Mont., for public park purposes. (Amended.)

H. R. 2573, authorizing Director of U. S. Geological Survey to sell copies of aerial or other photographs to the general public.

H. R. 1179, aiding defrayment of expenses of Seventeenth Triennial Convention of World's WCTU, held in this country, in 1947.

S. 64, granting the consent of Congress to the construction of a dam across Dan River, N. C.

H. R. 1874, amending the act providing Federal aid to the States for rural post-road construction, by extending availability period of postwar highway funds.

H. R. 3190, to codify and enact into positive law title 18 of the U. S. Code entitled "Crimes and Criminal Procedure." (Amended.)

H. R. 1237, providing Federal regulation of marketing of economic poisons and devices. (Amended.)

H. R. 3029, authorizing new building for U. S. Court of Appeals and Federal District Court, to be built in the District of Columbia.

H. R. 1203, providing compensation to substitutes of fourth-class postmasters during official leave-taking of such postmasters. (Amended.)

H. R. 239, increasing pay of former members of the Lighthouse Service.

H. R. 2054, increasing retirement pay for certain members of the former Life Saving Service.

H. R. 2654, granting a permanent easement across Coast Guard station, Baltimore, Md., for installing subterranean water main.

H. R. 2181, relating to institutional on-farm training for veterans. (Amended.)

Mr. Allen of Illinois called up three simple resolutions, which were considered and agreed to:

Public Lands: H. Res. 93, authorizing the Committee on Public Lands to make investigations into matters within its jurisdiction.

Defense: H. Res. 141, authorizing and directing the Committee on Armed Services to conduct investigations into matters coming under "common defense generally", Rules of the House of Representatives.

Transportation: H. Res. 153, continuing the authority of the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce to investigate the transportation situation.

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Labor-Federal Security Appropriations: The House disagreed with Senate amendments to H. R. 2700 (Labor-Federal Security Agency appropriations bill for 1948), agreed to conference, and Representatives Keefe,

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Eleven public bills, H. R. 3413-3423; five private bills, H. R. 3424-3428; and four resolutions, H. Res. 208, and H. J. Res. 199-201, were introduced.

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H. Carl Andersen, Schwabe of Oklahoma, Church, Rooney, Hendricks, and Fogarty were appointed conferees on the part of the House.

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Reports on Committee Meetings

MILITARY

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Personnel continued hearings on H. R. 2537, Navy promotion bill, and heard Commander D. L. Martineau, USN, who testified in support of the bill.

Subcommittee on Retirement began hearings on H. R. 2744, to provide for the selection for elimination and retirement of officers of the Regular Army, and for the equalization of retirement benefits for Members of the Army of the United States, and heard Gen. W. S. Paul, Director of Personnel for War Department, who testified in support of the bill.

EXPORT-IMPORT BANK

Committee on Banking and Currency: Held hearings on S. 993, to provide for the reincorporation of Export-Import Bank, and heard William McChesney Martin, Jr., president, Export-Import Bank; August Maffry, vice president; and Walter C. Sauer, general counsel. Committee later held executive session and ordered the bill favorably reported.

INTERNATIONAL AIR CARRIERS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: May 10, continued hearings on Chosen Instrument and Sea-Air bills and heard Fred G. Gurley, vice president, Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe Railway Co., Chicago, Ill.; and W. N. Deramus, Kansas City Southern Railroad, Kansas City, Mo.

May 12, heard Robert Ramspeck, executive vice president, Air Transportation Association of America, Washington, D. C., who testified in opposition to the pending legislation. Hearings will continue tomorrow, at which time further testimony from Mr. Ramspeck will be received.

CLAIMS—IMMIGRATION—RAILROADS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Claims met and considered various private bills.

Subcommittee on Immigration and Naturalization met in executive session to discuss private bills.

Subcommittee on Bankruptcy and Reorganization conducted hearings on H. R. 3237, to enable debtor railroad corporations expeditiously to effectuate reorganization of their financial structures without any or further proceedings under the Bankruptcy Act, as amended, and heard B. C. Forbes, president, the investors League, Inc., New York; Hon. Joseph B. Ely, counsel for bondholders committee of Old Colony Railroad, Westfield, Mass. (former Governor of Mass.); Hon. Nathaniel Tilden, member Massachusetts General Assembly, Scituate, Mass.; John Noble, Jr., counsel for

trustees of Boston & Providence Railroad Corp.; Paul D. Miller, St. Louis-Southwestern Railroad; Albert Minton, Superior and Duluth committee, Wisconsin Central Railroad; M. P. Callaway, trustee, Central of Georgia Railway, Savannah, Ga.; and T. M. Cunningham, counsel for trustee, Central of Georgia Railway, Savannah, Ga.

FISH—SEAMEN'S BILL OF RIGHTS

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Subcommittee on Salt-Water Fish and Shellfish Problems held hearings on H. R. 859, relative to fishing resources development in South Pacific, etc., and heard Milton C. James, Fish and Wildlife Service; J. R. Farrington, Delegate from Hawaii; John G. Lomax, president of Board of Agriculture and Forestry of Hawaii; and W. F. Chapman, Academy of Sciences, San Francisco, Calif.

Subcommittee on Ship Construction and Operation and Maritime Labor held hearings on H. R. 476, Seamen's Bill of Rights, and heard Representative Peterson. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

PUBLIC LANDS

Committee on Public Lands: May 10, Subcommittee on Public Lands met and heard Secretary of the Interior Krug testify on the public lands policy.

May 12, Subcommittee on Territorial and Insular Affairs held hearings on H. R. 1239, compensation of commissioners in Alaska, and H. R. 189 and H. R. 2513, compensation of Governors of Hawaii, Alaska, Puerto Rico, and the Virgin Islands, and heard Henry P. Chandler, Director, Administrative Office of the U. S. Court, who testified on H. R. 1239; and Irwin W. Silverman, chief counsel, Division of Territories, Department of the Interior, who testified on H. R. 189.

Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation held hearings on H. R. 2180, extending reclamation law to territories and possessions, and heard Michael W. Straus, Commissioner, Bureau of Reclamation; Dr. Rafael Pico, Chairman, Puerto Rican Planning Commission; Hon. Ernest Gruening, Governor of Alaska; and Colin Lennox, president, Board of Agriculture and Forestry, all of whom testified in favor of the bill. Subcommittee also considered H. R. 3143, authorizing construction and operation of Paonia reclamation project, Colo., and heard J. G. Will, assistant counsel, Bureau of Reclamation; and Clifford H. Stone, Colorado Water Conservation Board, both of whom testified in favor of the bill. The bill was ordered favorably reported to the full committee.

Subcommittee on Public Lands continued hearings on general public-lands policy, and heard Joel Wolfsohn, Department of the Interior; and also eight livestock producers from the West who made brief statements in connection with range feeding of cattle. Subcommittee also considered general Forest Service policy, particularly with respect to range feeding of cattle, and

heard L. F. Watts, chief, Forest Service; C. M. Granger, assistant chief, National Forest Divisions; and Walt L. Dutton, chief, Division of Range Management.

D. C. RED CROSS

Committee on Public Works: May 10, Subcommittee on Public Buildings and Grounds met and ordered H. J. Res. 193, erection of a permanent building for the D. C. Chapter of the American Red Cross, favorably reported to full committee.

FEDERAL BARGE LINE

Select Committee on Small Business: Held final hearing on the disposition of the Federal Barge Line and heard A. C. Ingersoll, Jr., president of the Federal Barge Line, who urged the rehabilitation of the Line, then the sale.

RECIPROCAL TRADE—INTERNAL REVENUE

Committee on Ways and Means: May 9, concluded hearings on reciprocal trade agreements and heard William C. Tesche, U. S. Tree Nut Industry, Los Angeles, Calif.; Karl D. Loos, of Pope, Ballard & Loos, Citrus Fruit Industries, Washington, D. C., and Ralph Baerman, economist, Washington, D. C., who testified in opposi-

tion to the reciprocal trade agreements program; and P. W. Parker, chairman of the board, Standard-Vacuum Oil Co., New York, N. Y., who appeared in favor of the existing program.

May 12, held executive session and ordered favorably reported 4 bills amending the Internal Revenue Code, as follows: H. R. 468, relative to distributions by personal holding companies, with amendments; H. R. 1945, relative to wines; H. R. 1946, relative to brandies; H. R. 1947, relative to taxation of distilleries; H. R. 2872, amends sec. 4 of Public Debt Act of 1941.

The chairman today announced that on May 13, 14, and 15, the committee, in executive session, will hear Members of Congress who are authors of bills that are now pending before the committee.

REPORT ON JOINT COMMITTEE MEETINGS

ATOMIC ENERGY

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Committee met in executive session to discuss the status of international negotiations on control of Atomic Energy with Dean Acheson, Under Secretary of State.

Tuesday, May 13, 1947

HIGHLIGHTS

By vote of 68 to 24, Senate passed labor bill and then opened debate on relief to devastated countries; House concluded general debate on State, Justice, Commerce, and Judiciary appropriations bill for 1948.

Deficiency appropriations acted on by subcommittee and hearings concluded on National Defense Establishment and liquor advertisement bills before Senate groups.

40 bills ordered reported by House committees.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 5118-5122.

Bills Introduced: Six bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1271-1276, S. J. Res. 115, S. Con. Res. 15.

Pages 5119-5120

Bills Reported: Bills were reported as follows:

S. 28, to reestablish the offices of Register of Land Offices (S. Rept. 165);

S. 2020, to amend the Philippine Rehabilitation Act to authorize the appropriation of 400 million dollars for paying persons entitled to accumulated "annual

leave to the maximum of 90 work days" (S. Rept. 166);

S. 272, to provide for the utilization of surplus War Department-owned military real property as national cemeteries (S. Rept. 167);

S. 299, to extend the reclamation laws to the State of Arkansas (S. Rept. 168); and

Four private relief bills: S. 116, S. 824, H. R. 384, and H. R. 2094 (S. Rept. 169, 170, 171, and 172, respectively).

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Bills Referred: The following House-passed bills were referred to the committees indicated: H. R. 84, 1467, 1565, 1566, 1567, 2083, 2084, 2237, 3190 (Committee on

the Judiciary); H. R. 239, 2054, 2331, 2654 (Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce); H. R. 1179 (Committee on Foreign Relations); H. R. 1203 (Committee on Civil Service); H. R. 1237 (Committee on Agriculture and Forestry); H. R. 1362, 1371 (Committee on Armed Services); H. R. 1412, 1874, 3029 (Committee on Public Works); H. R. 2181, 2368 (Committee on Labor and Public Welfare); and H. R. 2353, 2573 (Committee on Public Lands). (For passage in House, see Digest, p. D163.)

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Labor Legislation: The Senate, by a vote of 68 yeas to 24 nays, passed H. R. 3020, labor bill (after substituting the language of S. 1126).

Earlier the substitute proposed by Senator Murray and others had been defeated by a vote of 19 yeas to 73 nays.

Five amendments by Senator Langer seeking to define the terms "supervisor" and "superintendent" were defeated by voice vote.

The amendment of Senator McClellan, adopted on May 9, prohibiting certification of a labor organization if one or more of its national or international officers are members of the Communist Party, remains in the bill as passed, since Senator Taft withdrew his motion to reconsider, which was entered yesterday.

A conference on the bill was requested, and the following conferees were appointed: Senators Taft, Ball, Ives, Murray, and Ellender. The bill will be printed to show the amendments of the Senate.

Pages 5108-5110

War Relief: Senate then opened debate on H. J. Res. 153, authorizing \$350,000,000 for the relief of the people of countries devastated by war. By unanimous consent it was ordered to start voting at 2 p. m., May 14, on all amendments thereto and the resolution itself.

Pages 5122-5139

Nominations: The following nominations were received: Henry W. Moursund to be U. S. attorney for the western district of Texas; 68 postmaster nominations; 163 in the Navy; and 24 in the Marine Corps.

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Reports on Committee Meetings

LAND BANKS

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Subcommittee on S. 925, to transfer Land Bank Commissioner Loan Service to Federal Land Bank System, heard Carl Schywn, of Cygnet, Ohio, and Walter J. Robinson, of Pomeroy, Wash., representing the directors of the Federal land banks, appear in support of the bill; R. L. Thompson, representing the presidents of the Federal land banks, New Orleans, gave a statement in support of the measure; and J. R. Isleib, Land Bank Commissioner of the Farm Credit Administration, gave a résumé of farm credit operations and reasons for pro-

posing provisions of S. 925. Hearings continue tomorrow.

SECOND DEFICIENCY APPROPRIATION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on H. R. 3245, second deficiency appropriation bill, heard testimony from Under Secretary of Agriculture N. E. Dodd, and reported the bill to the full committee. Later the full committee heard W. R. Ogg, American Farm Bureau Federation. Full committee meets tomorrow.

INTERIOR APPROPRIATION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on H. R. 3123, Interior Department appropriation bill, continued hearings and received testimony from the following: Representatives Horan and Angell; Paul J. Raver, Bonneville Power Administrator; C. A. Erdahl, representing Pacific Northwest Utilities Group; and Clyde T. Ellis, National Rural Electrical Cooperative Association. Hearings continue tomorrow.

NATIONAL DEFENSE ESTABLISHMENT

Committee on Armed Services: In executive session the committee agreed there would be no further public hearings on S. 758, to create a National Defense Establishment. It decided to hold an executive session next Tuesday, May 20, to consider primarily sections 101, 102, 103, 104, and 201, which relate to creation of the National Defense Establishment, a Secretary of National Defense, military assistants to the Secretary, civilian personnel, and a National Security Council.

FDIC

Committee on Banking and Currency: Continuing hearings on S. 1070, to provide for the cancellation of the capital stock of FDIC and refund of moneys received from such stock, the committee heard C. Francis Cocke, testifying in behalf of the American Bankers Association, present seven legislative suggestions to the committee in connection with S. 1070, relative to FDIC returning all Government capital as soon as possible; FDIC not to place assessments on member banks unless capital funds fall below \$1 billion; to require incoming members of FDIC to pay a certain number of assessments based on the rate of one-twelfth of 1 percent; to increase salaries of appointed directors of FDIC; to repeal power of FDIC to borrow from the RFC; that all banks join the FDIC; and that FDIC return original capital funds as soon as possible.

CIVIL SERVICE SUBCOMMITTEES

Committee on Civil Service: Chairman Langer appointed Senators Flanders, Baldwin, Thye, Williams, Chavez, Johnston (South Carolina), O'Connor, and himself as one-man subcommittees and referred to each of them particular pending committee bills not otherwise

disposed of, to study, including holding hearings if necessary, and report to the full committee within 2 weeks.

POSTAL RATES

Committee on Civil Service: In connection with its investigation of postal rates, the subcommittee heard testimony from Senator Fulbright who declared that higher postal rates would tend to reduce the number of smaller newspapers and to promote fewer editorial viewpoints. He cited Kansas City, Mo., and Memphis, Tenn., as examples of one-newspaper cities, asserting that the trend is toward a long-term elimination of diversity of opportunity for publishers. Statements were filed by James M. Mosely, National Council of Mail List Brokers, Boston, and A. H. Ferguson, Watters, Cowen, and Baldrige, Washington, D. C., in behalf of third-class mail users.

FOREIGN SERVICE NOMINATIONS

Committee on Foreign Relations: In executive session the committee approved the nomination of Stanton Griffis, to be Ambassador to Poland. Numerous routine foreign service appointments were also approved.

Subcommittee, composed of Senators Lodge and Thomas (Utah), was appointed to consider the draft of proposed legislation submitted by the Secretary of State, providing for U. S. acceptance of the "Constitution of the International Labor Organization Instrument of Amendment."

LIQUOR ADVERTISING

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Hearings were concluded on S. 265, to prohibit the transportation of liquor advertisements, with testimony from the following proponents: Dr. R. H. Martin, National Reform Association; David M. Donnan, Liquor Ad Crusade; Dr. Joy Elmer Morgan, National Education Association; Dr. Clinton N. Howard, International Reform Federation; Rev. Ira S. Ernst, Evangelical United Brethren Church; Rev. Ernest E. Grosse, Jr., Church of the Nazarene; Rev. Wolf, Arlington Presbyterian Church.

The following opponents of the measure were heard: E. M. Hudgens, Chesapeake & Ohio Railway Co.; Frank Braucher, Magazine Advertising Bureau; Joseph E. Brady, International Union of United Brewery, Flour, Cereal, Soft Drink and Distillery Workers of America (CIO); Anthony J. Ferro, N. Y. State Council of Brewery Workers; Mel Greenthal, Wisconsin State Council of Brewery Workers; John A. Dippel, Indiana State Council of Brewery Workers; Martin Gross, Jr., Penn. State Council of Brewery Workers; James J. Simonelli, Conn. State Council of Brewery Workers; and Isaac W. Digges, Association of National Advertisers.

LABOR RELATIONS COURTS

Committee on the Judiciary: In executive session the subcommittee, headed by Senator Donnell, met with Sen-

ators Smith and Ferguson, proponents of S. 937, to establish Labor Relations Courts, to discuss the bill generally.

EXPORT CONTROL

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee meeting in connection with the question of continuing the existing export control authority, heard the following witnesses testify in favor of extending such legislation: T. C. Blaisdell, Director, Francis McIntyre, Export Control, and Nathan Ostroff, General Counsel, all of the Office of International Trade of the Department of Commerce; and N. E. Dodd, Under Secretary of Agriculture.

AMPUTEE VETERANS

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee met on amputee bills (S. 54, S. 65, S. 357, S. 555, S. 606, S. 690, S. 691, S. 1033, and S. 1113) and heard Charles W. Stevens, American Legion; John C. Williamson, Veterans of Foreign Wars; Elliott H. Newcomb, AMVETS; Chet Paterson, AVC; and H. R. Adams, Blind Veterans Association, accompanied by Representative Edith Nourse Rogers, testify in support of the existing program, to allow amputee veterans \$1,600 for purchase of duly equipped automobiles to aid these veterans in rehabilitation, proposing various liberalizing amendments.

The subcommittee meets again on Thursday to conclude hearings on bills proposing veterans' subsistence allowances. (For pending bills, see Digest, p. D151.)

RECLAMATION PROJECTS

Committee on Public Lands: Continuing hearings on S. 912, to exempt from land limitation provisions of the Federal reclamation laws the San Luis Valley project of Colorado, the Valley Gravity Canal project of Texas, and the Central Valley projects of California, the subcommittee heard the following witnesses testify in opposition to the bill: Dr. Carleton R. Ball, Congregational Christian Churches of America; Dr. Mark A. Dawber, Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America; Lewis Hines, American Federation of Labor; Russell Smith, National Farmers Union; Dr. J. T. Sanders, National Grange; William Locke, editor, Dinuba Sentinel; and D. R. Stoner and others, all of California.

MARYLAND CONTESTED ELECTION

Committee on Rules and Administration: Chairman Hickenlooper, after an executive session of the Privileges and Election Subcommittee investigating the Maryland senatorial election contest, announced that he was recommending to the full committee that a recount be made of all the votes cast for the senatorial seat in Maryland; that some pattern be established so as to determine what ballots should be counted and which should be eliminated; and that he was resigning as chairman of this subcommittee.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Twenty-two public bills, H. R. 3429-3450; six private bills, H. R. 3451-3456; and four resolutions, H. Res. 209 and 210, and H. J. Res. 202 and 203, were introduced. Pages 5227-5228

Bills Reported: Bills were reported as follows:

Fourteen private bills, which were given the following House report numbers: H. R. 408, No. 348; H. R. 651, No. 349; H. R. 836, No. 350; H. R. 888, No. 351; H. R. 893, No. 352; H. R. 905, No. 353; H. R. 984, No. 354; H. R. 989, No. 355; H. R. 1152, No. 356; H. R. 1408, No. 357; H. R. 1513, No. 358; H. R. 1523, No. 359; H. R. 1586, No. 360; H. R. 261, No. 361;

H. R. 1610, amending the act of June 14, 1938, so as to authorize Cairo Bridge Commission to issue refunding bonds to refund the outstanding bonds issued to pay the cost of the toll bridge near Cairo, Ill. (H. Rept. 362);

H. R. 1628, relinquishing to the State of Illinois, interest in certain lands comprising the right-of-way of the Illinois & Michigan Canal (H. Rept. 363);

H. R. 2097, declaring the ownership of the timber allotments on the Northern Cheyenne Indian Reservation and to authorize the sale thereof (H. Rept. 364);

H. R. 2693, for the relief of Public Utility District No. 1 of Cowlitz County, Wash. (H. Rept. 365);

H. R. 1555, promoting uniformity of geographic nomenclature in the Federal Government (H. Rept. 366);

H. R. 577, preserving historic graveyards in abandoned military posts (H. Rept. 367);

H. R. 981, amending act of January 2, 1942, relating to the refund of taxes illegally paid by Indian citizens (H. Rept. 368);

H. R. 1831, authorizing exchanges of lands acquired by United States for the Silver Creek recreational demonstration project to consolidate holdings therein (H. Rept. 369);

H. R. 2938, amending section 1 of the act of August 24, 1912, fixing price of copies of records furnished by Interior Department (H. Rept. 370);

H. R. 3143, authorizing construction and maintenance of Paonia Federal reclamation project in Colorado (H. Rept. 371);

H. R. 1379, establishing the U. S. Naval Postgraduate School (H. Rept. 372);

H. R. 1882, for expenditure of funds for cooperation with the school board of Walker, Minn., extending public school facilities to all Indian children in the district (H. Rept. 373);

H. R. 2207, authorizing Secretary of the Interior to convey certain lands within Shiloh National Military Park, Tenn. (H. Rept. 374);

H. R. 2545, providing funds for cooperation with the school board of Moclips-Aloha District to construct a school building in Moclips, Wash., available to Indian and non-Indian children (H. Rept. 375); and

H. R. 2655, authorizing Secretary of the Interior to grant city of Baltimore, Md., a permanent easement for installation and maintenance of two subterranean water mains across lands of Fort McHenry National Monument, Md. (H. Rept. 376). Pages 5227-5228

Order of Business: On motion of Mr. Halleck, by unanimous consent, the House agreed to dispense with Calendar Wednesday business of Wednesday, May 14. Page 5183

State-Commerce-Justice-Judiciary Appropriations: In Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union, the bill, H. R. 3311, appropriations for fiscal year 1948 in the State, Commerce, and Justice Departments, and the Federal Judiciary, was considered in 5½ hours of debate. This concluded the allotted time to be spent in general debate on this measure. Pages 5185-5208, 5211-5226

Greek-Turkish Assistance: On a motion by Mr. Eaton, which was considered and agreed to, it was moved that the House insist on its amendment to S. 938, Greek-Turkish assistance measure, and agree to the conference asked by the Senate. Whereupon, the Speaker appointed Representatives Eaton, Mundt, Jonkman, Bloom, and Kee as Managers on the part of the House.

The conferees obtained permission until midnight, May 13, to file a conference report, which, when filed, will be House Report No. 377. Pages 5208, 5226

Reports on Committee Meetings

FORESTS

Committee on Agriculture: Met in executive session and ordered favorably reported H. R. 1826, prohibiting trespassing on national forest land; H. R. 1974, Forest Pest Control Act; and H. R. 195, authorizing the Secretary of Agriculture to sell certain lands formerly occupied by the Alaska Agricultural Experiment Station to the city of Sitka, Alaska.

MILITARY

Committee on Armed Services: Held meeting of full committee and ordered favorably reported the following bills: H. R. 3215, to revise the Medical Services of the Army and Navy; H. R. 1341, to authorize the establishment of a Navy Postgraduate School at Monterey, Calif.; and H. J. Res. 167, to recognize uncompensated services

rendered the Nation under the Selective Service and Training Act.

HOME LOAN BANK

Committee on Banking and Currency: Held hearings on H. R. 2798, H. R. 2799, and H. R. 2800, home loan bank bills, and heard Morton Bodfish, executive vice president, U. S. Savings and Loan League; and Oscar R. Kreutz, executive manager, National Savings and Loan League. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

D. C. LIFE INSURANCE

Committee on the District of Columbia: Subcommittee on Public Utilities, Insurance, and Banking held hearings on various bills pertaining to life insurance, and heard Col. L. C. Crawford, of Crawford & Thren, insurance brokers and agents, who testified on H. R. 1632, H. R. 1633, and H. R. 1634; Ian Woodner, president, Jonathan Woodner Co., Washington, D. C., who testified on H. R. 1632; John Wilkes, representing Home Builders Association of Metropolitan Washington, Washington, D. C., who testified on H. R. 1632; F. G. Addison, Jr., chairman, law and legislation committee, D. C. Bankers Association, who testified on H. R. 1633; Howard W. Kacy, first vice president, Acacia Mutual Life Insurance Co., who testified on H. R. 1634; Lloyd B. Harrison, Assistant Corporation Counsel; and Albert F. Jordan, Superintendent of Insurance, District Government, both of whom testified on the general subject of life insurance.

FEDERAL AID TO EDUCATION

Committee on Education and Labor: Subcommittee on Education continued hearings on various bills pertaining to Federal aid to education, and heard Elmer Rogers, aide to Colonel Cowles, Scottish Rite Masons; Representative Morrison; Father McManus, National Catholic Welfare Association; George J. Hecht, president, Parents Magazine; Mrs. Stanley P. Cook, chairman, committee on legislation, National Congress of Parents and Teachers, Maryland; and Steve Stahl, Oklahoma City, Okla. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

NATIONAL SECURITY ACT OF 1947—SURPLUS

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Continued hearings on H. R. 2319, National Security Act of 1947, and heard General Eisenhower and General Spaatz, both of whom testified in favor of the bill. Hearings continue May 15, with Admiral Nimitz.

Subcommittee on Surplus Property held hearings on financial and accounting activities of the War Assets Administration and heard Joseph M. Cunningham, certified public accountant, New York City, employed on a contractual basis by WAA; Max W. Schaul, Accounting Division, WAA; Benjamin F. Stearns and John T. O'Brien, Field Supervisory Accountants, WAA. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

INFORMATION AND EDUCATIONAL EXCHANGE ACT

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Held hearings on H. R. 3342, United States Information and Educational Exchange Act of 1947, and heard Hon. Dean Acheson, Under Secretary of State; Hon. W. Averell Harriman, Secretary of Commerce; and Hon. William Benton, Assistant Secretary of State, all of whom testified in favor of the bill. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

ACCOUNTS

Committee on House Administration: Subcommittee on Accounts met in executive session.

INTERNATIONAL AIR CARRIERS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Continued hearings on Chosen Instrument and Sea-Air bills, and heard Robert Ramspeck, executive vice president, Air Transportation Association of America, Washington, D. C.; and Gerald P. O'Grady, attorney, representing Pacific Northern Airlines, Anchorage, Alaska. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

RAILROADS—PRIVATE CLAIMS

Committee on the Judiciary: Met in executive session and ordered favorably reported to the House 15 private claims bills. Also, the committee tabled a number of bills designating holidays (12), among these being American Indian Day, Edison Day, Constitution Day, Pulaski Day, Good Friday, and Grandmother's Day.

Subcommittee on Bankruptcy and Reorganization continued hearings on H. R. 3237, relating to reorganization of railroads, and heard Wilber LaRoe, Jr., representing Seatrain, Inc.; W. R. C. Cocke, general counsel, Seaboard Air Line Railway; Coleman Burke, representing general bondholders' protective committee, New York, Susquehanna & Western Railroad Co.; and Henry K. Norton, trustee, New York, Susquehanna & Western Railroad Co. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

SEAMEN'S BILL OF RIGHTS

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Subcommittee on Ship Construction and Operation and Maritime Labor held hearings on H. R. 476, Seamen's bill of rights, and heard Franklin J. McClain, Merchant Marine Veterans Association; Henry Nozko, national adjutant, Merchant Marine Veterans Association; Commander Arthur Lawman, State commander, N. Y. Merchant Marine Veterans Association; and Capt. John J. Norton, Merchant Marine Veterans Association. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

PUBLIC LANDS—INDIANS—HOUSE OFFICE BUILDINGS

Committee on Public Lands: Met in executive session and ordered favorably reported the following bills: H. R. 577, preserve historic graveyards in abandoned military posts (with amendment); H. R. 981, refund of taxes

illegally paid by Indians; H. R. 1555, uniformity of geographic nomenclature (with amendment); H. R. 1831, exchange of lands, Silver Creek Recreational Area, Oreg.; H. R. 1882, authorizes Indian children school, Walker, Minn.; H. R. 2005, amend leasing act, coal, asphalt, Choctaw-Chickasaw Indians of Oklahoma; H. R. 2207, convey lands within Shiloh National Military Park, Tenn.; H. R. 2545, authorizes school in Mo-clips, Wash.; H. R. 2572, sale of liquor to Indians outside Indian country (with amendment); H. R. 2655, grant easement to City of Baltimore across Fort McHenry National Monument; H. R. 2852, additional lands to Otter Creek Recreational Demonstration Area, Ky.; H. R. 2878, revises census roll of Indians of California; H. R. 2938, fixes price of records sold by Interior Department; and H. R. 3143, authorize Paonia Reclamation Project, Colo. (with amendment).

Subcommittee on Public Buildings and Grounds ordered favorably reported to the full committee H. R. 3072, remodeling of House Office Buildings.

PUBLIC WORKS

Committee on Public Works: Met in executive session and ordered favorably reported to House, without amendment, H. R. 310, authorizing Secretary of War to permit the delivery of water from the District of Columbia water system to the Falls Church or other water systems in the metropolitan area of the District of Columbia in Virginia; H. R. 1610, authorizing the Cairo (Ill.) Bridge Commission to issue refunding bonds; and H. R. 1628, granting to Illinois all rights, etc., of the United States to the right-of-way of the Illinois & Michigan Canal. Committee ordered favorably reported, with amendment, H. J. Res. 193, construction of a permanent building for the District of Columbia Chapter of the American Red Cross.

VETERANS

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Subcommittee on Education, Training, and Rehabilitation met in executive session.

CLAIMS AGAINST U. S.

Committee on Ways and Means: Met on H. R. 3101, to extend until June 30, 1949, the period of time during which persons may serve in certain executive departments and agencies without being prohibited from acting as counsel, agent, or attorney for prosecuting claims against the U. S. by reason of having so served, and heard Joseph J. O'Connell, Jr., Treasury Department. The bill was ordered favorably reported to the House.

REPORT ON JOINT COMMITTEE MEETINGS

GREEK-TURKISH LOAN

Conferees on S. 938, to authorize \$400,000,000 for assistance to Greece and Turkey, reached agreement and filed a conference report (H. Rept. 377). The agreement over the amendments in disagreement provides that the FBI shall investigate civilian personnel administering this act, but not approve such personnel as provided by the House version; the Senate accepted the House amendment providing free access of U. S. officials to observe operations under this program and permitting representatives of the press and radio to observe and report fully on program; provision is made for Senate confirmation of the Administrator of the program; amendment in the Senate bill offered by Senator Johnson (Colo.) providing that the U. S. Government should not be bound to support private oil agreements was omitted from the conference version.

Since the Senate asked for the conference, the House will act first on the report.

Wednesday, May 14, 1947

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed war-relief bill and debated Science Foundation measure; House appointed conferees for labor-management and war-relief bills, and continued consideration of State, Commerce, Justice, and Judiciary appropriations measure.

Veterans' rehabilitation subsistence allowance bill approved by House Committee.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 5229-5230.

Bills Introduced: Twelve bills and one resolution were introduced as follows: S. 1277-S. 1288 and S. Res. 113.

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Bills Reported: Bills were reported as follows:

H. R. 1, to reduce individual income tax payments (S. Rept. 173); and

S. 805, authorizing funds for high-school building in Utah (S. Rept. 174).

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War Relief: Senate passed by voice vote H. J. Res. 153, authorizing \$350,000,000 for the relief of the people of countries devastated by war. Earlier, the Senate by a vote of 79 yeas to 4 nays adopted the substitute amendment prepared by the Committee on Foreign Relations, which is in effect the bill as reported to the Senate. Amendment by Senator Kem to fix the amount of the authorization at \$200,000,000 was defeated 19 yeas to 64 nays.

During debate certain technical amendments were adopted in addition to the ones listed below: Senator Vandenberg, authorizing the RFC to advance \$75,000,000 for the purposes of the Act until an appropriation is made; an amendment by Senator Smith allocating \$5,000,000 for ocean transportation of parcels supplied by American voluntary relief organizations; and an amendment by Senators Ellender and Wherry providing that all classes of people should receive a fair share of essential supplies.

An amendment by Senator McClellan was defeated by voice vote, which would have provided that no relief assistance should be given to Russia, Albania, Czechoslovakia, Hungary, Poland, Yugoslavia, Rumania, or Bulgaria, and any other governments that the President might determine to be under the domination of Soviet Russia.

Conference was asked of the House and the following conferees were appointed: Senators Vandenberg, Wiley, Smith, Connally, and George.

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Science Foundation: Opened debate on S. 526, creating a National Science Foundation, and adopted one technical amendment by Senator Pepper.

Pages 5246, 5248-5260, 5264-5265

Dooley Nomination: Senator Wiley filed Executive Report 3 concerning certain information on the nomination of Joe B. Dooley, to be district judge in Texas.

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Confirmations: Senate confirmed the nominations of William E. Warne, of California, to be Assistant Secretary of the Interior; Luis N. Fernandez, to be Attorney General of Puerto Rico; Stanton Griffis, to be Ambassador to Poland; George R. Merrell, to be Minister to Ethiopia; Col. Samuel N. Karrick, member California Debris Commission; Owen Burns, to be U. S. attorney for the western district of Pennsylvania; Otto F. Heine, marshal of the district of Hawaii; and 227 appointments in the Diplomatic and Foreign Service.

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Nominations: Received the following nominations: Robert A. Lovett, to be Under Secretary of State; and Andrew N. Overby, to be U. S. Executive Director of International Monetary Fund.

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Postmaster appointments: Senators Lucas and Tydings offered several resolutions to discharge the Committee on Civil Service from further consideration of

certain specific postmaster appointments. Under the rules the resolutions will lie over and be considered at the next executive session.

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Reports on Committee Meetings

LAND BANKS

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: John Riggle, National Council of Farmer Co-ops, Washington, D. C., and W. R. Ogg, American Farm Bureau Federation, Washington, D. C., appeared before the subcommittee in favor of S. 925, to transfer the Land Bank Commissioner Loan Service to the Federal Land Bank System. Hearings continue tomorrow.

SECOND DEFICIENCY APPROPRIATION

Committee on Appropriations: Held an executive session on H. R. 3245, second deficiency appropriation bill. Another session is scheduled for tomorrow.

INTERIOR APPROPRIATION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on H. R. 3123, Interior Department appropriation bill, heard testimony from Senator Moore, the Governors of Washington, Oregon, and Colorado; Douglas Wright, representing the Southwestern Power Administration; J. T. Sanders, National Grange; representatives of the Rural Electrical Cooperative Association; C. Hamilton Moses, Arkansas Power & Light Co.; R. K. Lane, Public Service Co. of Oklahoma; and Frank Wilkes, Southwestern Gas & Electric Co.

TIN SMELTING

Committee on Banking and Currency: Subcommittee consisting of Senators Bricker, Cain, and Robertson (Virginia) met in executive session to discuss temporary legislation on tin smelting involving the continued operation of the tin smelting plant at Texas City, Tex.; the existing law on this subject expires June 30, 1947 (see P. L. 548 of 79th Cong.). As soon as a bill on the subject is drafted, it is expected that the subcommittee will hold open hearings on the subject.

GOVERNMENT CAFETERIAS

Committee on Civil Service: Continuing its hearings on investigation of Government cafeterias, subcommittee heard testimony from R. F. Kruse, and J. J. Ryan, Chicago Post Office Canteen; and Tom C. Cargill, Deputy First Assistant Postmaster General. Having concluded this discussion of the canteen service in the Chicago City Post Office, the subcommittee received a copy of the Post Office Department's regulations on the operation of canteens, and the subcommittee requested that information be supplied as to what disposition was made of finances at the time the Washington City Post Office cafeteria ceased operations.

Charles A. Peters, Public Buildings Administration, was asked to explain whether PBA has a sanitation

engineering department, and, if so, what liaison it maintained with the D. C. Government Food Inspection Service, as well as with any sanitation engineering plans followed out by Government Service, Inc. Subcommittee meets again on May 21.

ANTI-MONOPOLY

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on S. 104, to amend the Anti-Trust Act to prohibit acquisition of assets of another corporation, etc., heard the following witnesses: Dr. John Blair, assistant chief economist, Federal Trade Commission; M. D. Howell, vice president, and Roger Blough, general solicitor, U. S. Steel Corp.; F. T. Barton, president, and J. T. Ross, attorney, Jones & Laughlin Steel Barrel Co.; R. E. McMath, vice president, Bethlehem Steel Corp.; and Herbert S. Boring, assistant secretary, Portsmouth Steel Corp.

EXPORT CONTROL

Committee on the Judiciary: Meeting on the question of continuing the existing export control authority, subcommittee heard J. R. Blunt, West Coast Lumbermen's Association; and F. F. Estes, National Coal Association, testifying against any such proposal, and Francis McIntyre, Department of Commerce, continuing his testimony in support of such legislation.

ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL

Committee on the Judiciary: Adolph Reitmeister appeared before a subcommittee to oppose the nomination of T. Vincent Quinn, to be an Assistant Attorney General.

SOLICITOR GENERAL

Committee on the Judiciary: Senators Tydings and O'Connor and all six Representatives from the State of Maryland appeared before subcommittee to support the nomination of Philip B. Perlman, to be Solicitor General of the United States. Miss Amee Weber appeared in opposition to the nomination. Hearings continue tomorrow.

INDIAN AFFAIRS

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Indian Affairs met with various Indians from California to discuss the repeal of the Wheeler-Howard Act, the five

million dollar reserve fund in their treasury with regard to withdrawing four million of it for per capita payments to the Indians; and S. J. Res. 114, to create a joint committee to study methods of taking the California Indians out from under the Indian Bureau at an early date.

RECLAMATION PROJECTS

Committee on Public Lands: Continuing hearings on S. 912, to exempt from land limitation provisions of the Federal reclamation laws, the subcommittee heard Senator Taylor and D. R. Stoner, of California, testify in opposition to the bill. Hearings continue tomorrow.

STREAM POLLUTION

Committee on Public Works: Subcommittee on Flood Control and Rivers and Harbors continued hearings on S. 418, to provide for stream-pollution control, and heard Senator Barkley appear in favor of the bill, but requested to appear again after studying suggestions presented by the Administrator of the Federal Works Agency. General Philip B. Fleming, Administrator of the FWA, presented a substitute bill making changes in certain sections of the original bill. R. W. Digges, Hampton Roads Sanitary Commission, endorsed the recommendations by the FWA Administrator; William E. Webb, National Rivers and Harbors Congress, appeared in favor of the bill.

MARYLAND CONTESTED ELECTION

Committee on Rules and Administration: Committee met in morning and afternoon executive sessions, and by a vote of 8 to 5 authorized the Subcommittee on Privileges and Elections to continue a recount in the remaining 17 counties in the Maryland senatorial election contest. The subcommittee was also directed to proceed immediately to pass upon the 6,600 disputed ballots and the five counties investigated to date for the purpose of attempting to establish a pattern to be applied in the remainder of the recount. Senator Hickenlooper's resignation as chairman of the Subcommittee on Privileges and Elections, due to press of other committee duties, was accepted and Senator Jenner was appointed to succeed him. The committee also approved S. Res. 110 (by Senator Tydings), to pay gratuity to relatives of Goldsborough M. Johnson, late employee of the Senate.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Eighteen public bills, H. R. 3457-3474; four private bills, H. R. 3475-3478; and one resolution, H. Res. 211, were introduced. Pages 5312-5313

Bills Reported: Bills and resolutions were reported, as follows:

H. R. 310, authorizing the Secretary of War to permit delivery of water from District of Columbia or Arlington County water systems to Falls Church or other systems in the metropolitan area of the District of Columbia in Virginia (H. Rept. 378);

H. J. Res. 193, as amended, granting authority for erection of a permanent building in the District of

Columbia for the District of Columbia Chapter of the American National Red Cross (H. Rept. 379);

H. J. Res. 144, providing for the comprehensive observance of the bicentennial of John Paul Jones (H. Rept. 380);

H. J. Res. 188, erecting on public grounds in the District of Columbia a memorial to the dead of the First Infantry Division, U. S. Forces, of World War II (H. Rept. 381);

H. J. Res. 190, authorizing printing and binding of a revised edition of Cannon's Procedure in the House of Representatives (H. Rept. 382);

H. J. Res. 170, authorizing erection of a memorial to Andrew W. Mellon in the District of Columbia (H. Rept. 383);

H. R. 195, authorizing the Secretary of War to sell certain lands in Alaska to the city of Sitka, Alaska (H. Rept. 384);

H. R. 1826, making it a petty offense to enter any national forest land closed to the public (H. Rept. 385);

H. R. 1341, authorizing the Secretary of the Navy to construct a postgraduate school at Monterey, Calif. (H. Rept. 386); and

H. R. 3215, revising the Medical Departments of the Army and the Navy (H. Rept. 387). Page 5312

Portal-to-Portal: Both Houses received messages from the President announcing signature of H. R. 2157, Portal-to-Portal Pay Act of 1947, in addition to discussing the general provisions of the act. The President stated, "I am convinced that immediate amendment of the act to provide a minimum of at least 65 cents an hour is necessary. In addition, minimum wage benefits should be extended to many persons not now protected by the law * * *". Page 5281

Bicentennial Observance: By unanimous consent, H. J. Res. 144, providing for the observance of the bicentennial of John Paul Jones, was agreed to, but the proceeding was later vacated, and the bill was ordered to lie on the table. Page 5278

War Memorial: Considered and agreed to H. J. Res. 188, to erect on public ground in the District of Columbia, a memorial to the dead of the First Infantry Division, U. S. Forces, in World War II. Pages 5278-5279

Cannon's Procedure: Considered and agreed to H. J. Res. 190, the authorization for printing and binding of Cannon's Procedure of the House of Representatives. Page 5279

Andrew W. Mellon: Considered and agreed to H. J. Res. 170, authorization for erection of a memorial to Andrew W. Mellon in the District of Columbia. Page 5279

Labor-Management Relations: On a motion by Mr. Hartley, which was considered and agreed to, it was

moved that the House disagree to the amendment of the Senate to H. R. 3020, labor-management relations bill, agreed to the conference asked by the Senate, and the Speaker appointed Representatives Hartley, Landis, Hoffman, Lesinski, and Barden as managers on the part of the House. Page 5275

War Relief: On a motion by Mr. Eaton, which was considered and agreed to, it was moved that the House disagree to the amendment of the Senate to H. J. Res. 153, relief measure for war-devastated countries; agreed to the conference asked by the Senate, and the Speaker appointed Representatives Eaton, Vorys, Mundt, Bloom, and Kee as managers on the part of the House. Page 5296

State-Commerce-Justice-Judiciary Appropriations: In Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union, the bill, H. R. 3311, appropriations for fiscal year 1948 in the State, Commerce, and Justice Departments, and the Federal Judiciary, was read for amendments in a 4½-hour session. Pages 5296-5309

Reports on Committee Meetings

CROP INSURANCE

Committee on Agriculture: Held executive session on crop insurance and voted to introduce and report a bill placing crop insurance on an experimental basis.

MILITARY

Committee on Armed Services: Personnel Subcommittee began hearings on H. R. 2536, Army promotion bill, and heard Brig. Gen. John E. Dahlquist, who testified in support of the bill. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

Retirement subcommittee continued hearings on H. R. 2744, Army Vitalization and Retirement Equalization Act of 1946, and heard Rear Admiral Thomas L. Sprague, USN; and Maj. Gen. Willard S. Paul, both of whom testified in support of the bill. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

PERMANENT WAR HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: Met in executive session on disposition of permanent war housing.

FEDERAL AID TO EDUCATION

Committee on Education and Labor: Subcommittee on Education continued hearings on various bills pertaining to Federal aid to education, and heard Mrs. Arthur Brin, National Council of Jewish Women, Inc.; Leslie S. Perry, administrative assistant, Washington Bureau, National Association for the Advancement of Colored People; Merwin K. Hart, president, National Economic Council, Inc.; and Dr. Samuel McCrea Cavert, general secretary, Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America; all favored Federal aid to education. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

SURPLUS

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Surplus Property Subcommittee continued hearings on financial and accounting activities of the War Assets Administration, and heard Lloyd A. Nelson, special assistant to the Deputy Administrator for Fiscal Services; Frederick E. Coyne, Jr., Director of Accounting Division; and Frank M. Charrette, Director of Reports Division, WAA, Washington, D. C.

INFORMATION AND EDUCATIONAL EXCHANGE ACT

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Special subcommittee continued hearings on H. R. 3342, United States Information and Educational Exchange Act of 1947, and heard Lt. Gen. Walter Bedell Smith, U. S. Ambassador to the USSR; and Hon. William Benton, Assistant Secretary of State.

HOUSE ADMINISTRATION

Committee on House Administration: Met in executive session and ordered favorably reported the following bills: H. J. Res. 144, providing for the comprehensive observance of the bicentennial of John Paul Jones; H. J. Res. 170, authorizing the erection in the District of Columbia of a memorial to Andrew W. Mellon; H. J. Res. 188, authorizing the erection on public grounds in the city of Washington, D. C., of a memorial to the dead of the First Infantry Division, United States Forces, World War II; H. J. Res. 190, authorizing the printing and binding of a revised edition of Cannon's Procedure in the House of Representatives and providing that the same shall be subject to copyright by the author; and H. R. 273, to amend the act entitled "An act to provide for cooperation by the Smithsonian Institution with State, educational, and scientific organizations in the United States for continuing ethnological researches on the American Indians."

INTERNATIONAL AIR CARRIERS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Continued hearings on Chosen Instrument and Sea-Air bills, and heard Admiral Rosendahl (USN retired), In Charge, Development of Lighter than Aircraft for the Navy, Toms River, N. J., who testified regarding the use of dirigibles in commercial aviation; and Carleton Putnam, president, Chicago & Southern Air Lines, Inc., Municipal Airport, Memphis, Tenn. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

RAILROADS—PATENTS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Claims agreed to report favorably to the full committee 12 private claims bills.

Subcommittee on Patents heard one witness, a veteran of World War II, on H. R. 65, H. R. 124, H. R. 1107, and H. R. 1894, extension of certain patents.

Subcommittee on Bankruptcy and Reorganization continued hearings on H. R. 3237, railroad reorganization and heard John M. Balliet, Appleton, Wis.; Robert J. Fletcher, general counsel for the Boston & Maine Railroad, both of whom testified in favor of the bill; and William A. Roberts, counsel for the Brooks Committee of Bondholders, Central Railroad of New Jersey, who testified in opposition to the bill.

Subcommittee on Immigration and Naturalization considered several private immigration measures.

SEAMEN'S BILL OF RIGHTS

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Subcommittee on Ship Construction and Operation and Maritime Labor continued hearings on H. R. 476, Seamen's bill of rights, and heard Michael J. Ruane, oiler and watertender; Lt. P. L. Albright, Merchant Marine; and Seth Levine, CIO committee, all of whom testified in favor of the bill. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

IRRIGATION AND RECLAMATION

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation held hearings on H. R. 1274, to extend reclamation laws to Arkansas; H. R. 2180, to extend reclamation laws to Alaska and Hawaii; and H. R. 3197, to extend reclamation laws to Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands, and heard Representative Trimble, who testified in favor of H. R. 1274; J. G. Will, assistant chief counsel, Bureau of Reclamation, who testified in favor of H. R. 1274 and H. R. 3197; and E. D. Eaton, Assistant Director of Maintenance, Bureau of Reclamation, who testified in favor of H. R. 3197. H. R. 1274 and H. R. 3197 were ordered favorably reported to the full committee.

FLOOD CONTROL

Committee on Public Works: Subcommittee on Flood Control began hearings on H. R. 590, to repeal authorization for construction of the Osceola Dam on the Osage River, Mo., and heard Colonel Persons, Corps of Engineers; and John Short, State Engineer from Missouri, who testified in favor of the bill. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

SUBSISTENCE ALLOWANCES

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Met in executive session and ordered favorably reported, with amendment, H. R. 3308, to increase the minimum allowance payable for rehabilitation in service-connected cases.

TAX, BILLS

Committee on Ways and Means: Met in executive session to hear Members of Congress on various pending tax bills, and heard Representative McGregor on H. R. 532; Representative Dondero on H. R. 1538; Representative Larcade on H. R. 1546; and Representative John J. Allen on H. R. 1804. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

BILLS SIGNED BY THE PRESIDENT

(New Laws)

S. J. Res. 102, to permit communications carriers to accord free communications privileges to participants

in world telecommunications conferences. Signed May 13, 1947 (P. L. 48).

H. R. 2157, portal-to-portal pay. Signed May 14, 1947 (P. L. 49).

Thursday, May 15, 1947

HIGHLIGHTS

Greek-Turkish assistance measure cleared for President's signature.

Senate worked on National Science Foundation bill and agreed to vote on Kilgore amendment; House passed State, Commerce, Justice, and Judiciary appropriations and student-veteran temporary housing measures.

Veterans' bills approved by Senate group, and hearings concluded on airports, veterans' subsistence, and land banks.

Hearings announced on health bill.

House groups approved bill exploring fishing resources of tropical Pacific and announced war housing disposal measure.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 5313-5320.

Bills Introduced: Ten bills were introduced, as follows: S. 1289-S. 1298. Page 5315

Bill Reported: A bill was reported as follows: H. R. 3245, second deficiency appropriations bill (S. Rept. 175). Page 5315

Bills Referred: The following House-passed joint resolutions were referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration: H. J. Res. 170, 188, and 190. (For passage in House, see Digest, p. D173.) Page 5316

UNRRA Report: Tenth Annual Report on UNRRA, as of December 31, 1946, was received and referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations. Page 5314

Science Foundation: Senate continued debate on S. 526, to create a National Science Foundation, and adopted without objection all the committee amendments to the bill.

The amendment by Senators Kilgore and others, on mandatory amounts to be distributed to the various States, will be voted on at 1 p. m., May 16, under unanimous consent agreement.

The amendments proposed by Senators Taft and others were adopted, which would create commissions on cancer research and heart diseases within the Foundation. Senator Hoey's amendments to add the name of the Association of American Universities to the list of organizations to be consulted in appointment of members of the Foundation, was adopted. Pages 5320-5345

Nominations: Received the following nominations: George J. Schoeneman, to be Commissioner of Internal Revenue; John J. Muccio, to be a consul general; Albert V. Bryan, to be district judge for the eastern district of Virginia; Harold R. Medina, to be district judge for the southern district of New York; and 131 nominations in the Navy. Page 5346

Reports on Committee Meetings

LAND BANKS

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Hearings were concluded on S. 925, to transfer the Land Bank Commissioner Loan Service to the Federal Land Bank System, the subcommittee having heard John H. Crocker, representing the American Bankers Association, who testified in opposition to the bill. Committee meets next on Wednesday, May 21 on S. 525, interchange of foreign agricultural students, and operation of graduate school of the Department of Agriculture.

INTERIOR APPROPRIATION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee continued hearings on H. R. 3123, Interior Department Appropriation Bill, and heard the following witnesses: Senators Millikin and Johnson (Colorado); Governor of South Dakota; R. K. Lane, Public Service Co. of Oklahoma; Tom Vatch, Kansas City, Mo.; James Hill, Jr., Arkansas-Missouri Power Co.; F. P. Williams, Missouri Power & Light Co.; D. C. McKee; Clyde T. Ellis, and others representing Rural Electric Cooperatives.

WARTIME LEGISLATION

Committee on Armed Services: Committee met in executive session to survey wartime legislation coming under its purview with a view to whether or not such legislation should be continued or extended, preparatory to making a report to the Senate Judiciary Committee, which has jurisdiction of any such legislation pursuant to S. Res. 35 of this session.

PANAMANIAN IN GOVERNMENT EMPLOYMENT

Committee on Civil Service: Subcommittee continuing its investigation of certain matters relating to officers and employees of the Federal Government with particular reference to Panamanians in American Government jobs, heard the following witnesses: Robert Newbegin, Division of Central America and Panama Affairs of the State Department; William C. Hushing, A. F. of L.; Harry V. Hayden, Jr., American Legion; Clarence Ademy, Amvets of World War II; George D. O'Brien, Government Employees Council of A. F. of L.; and Elizabeth Lipscomb and Manlio F. De Angelis, both of the Civil Service Commission. The discussion centered around equality of Panamanians with Americans in Government jobs under treaty with Panama, and the attitude of various groups toward holding American jobs for American citizens, as well as issues of national security.

ALCOHOLIC CLINIC

Committee on the District of Columbia: Subcommittee on S. 757 and H. R. 2659, to establish an Alcoholic Clinic in the District of Columbia, heard Representatives Hébert and Horan urge a special liquor tax to pay the cost of such clinic. The following officials of the District of Columbia Government favored money from the general fund to defray necessary expenses: Commissioner Guy Mason; Corporation Counsel Vernon West; Collector of Taxes Guy W. Pearson; Allen W. Payne, Chairman, Alcoholic Beverage Control Board; Dr. George C. Ruhland, Health Officer; and Dr. L. Erwin Wexberg, Department of Health.

VETERANS

Committee on Finance: In executive session the committee approved the following three bills: S. 1135, to extend certain provisions of the Servicemen's Readjustment Act of 1944, relating to the authority of the Administrator of Veterans' Affairs, to enter into leases for periods not exceeding 5 years, H. R. 1844, to authorize Veterans' Affairs Administrator to grant rights-of-way in Federal lands under their supervision and control, and S. J. Res. 115, to authorize the Veterans' Affairs Administrator to continue and establish offices in the territory of the Philippines. Reports are expected to be filed tomorrow.

AIRPORTS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee on aviation opened and concluded hearings on S. 1038, to amend the Federal Airport Act of 1946, relative to the administration of the Act (including the channeling of Federal funds) after hearing the following witnesses: Testifying in opposition to the bill were Alfred MacDonald, American Municipal Association; Fred T. Van Liew, National Institute of Municipal Law Officers; and G. W. Welsh, U. S. Conference of Mayors. Testifying in support of the bill were Col. Alvin B. Barber, U. S. Chamber of Commerce; and Frank Bane, Council of State Governments and Governor's Conference. The National Association of State Aviation Officials filed a statement in support of the bill. Edgar Smith, Director of Planning, Office of the Assistant Administrator for Airports of the CAA, analyzed the various suggested changes in the Airport Act. Subcommittee meets on Saturday, May 17 on air policy.

SOLICITOR GENERAL

Committee on the Judiciary: Miss Aimee Webber, National Housewives, Inc., and Francis Ritota, Parkview Heights Civic Improvement Association, testified before subcommittee in opposition to the nomination of Philip B. Perlman, to be Solicitor General of the U. S. Further hearings will be held on Tuesday, May 20.

Subcommittee will meet on the nomination of Jed Johnson on Saturday, May 17.

FEDERAL AID TO EDUCATION

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee met in executive session and discussed and analyzed the various issues presented to the committee at the hearings on Federal aid to education bills (S. 81, S. 170, S. 199, S. 472, and S. 1157), preparatory to acting on the specific provisions.

HEALTH LEGISLATION

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee on Health, in executive session, decided to open public hearings on May 21 on S. 545, to create an independent National Health Agency. These hearings will run three days per week for each of the next four weeks. Following these, the subcommittee will hold public hearings for three days on a new National Health Insurance bill, to be introduced shortly by Senator Murray.

VETERANS' SUBSISTENCE

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee on Veterans' Affairs concluded hearings on veterans' bills, relating to education and on-the-job training programs, established by the Servicemen's Readjustment Act (for bill numbers see Digest p. D151, after hearing the following witnesses: Dr. Francis J. Brown, American Council on Education, who favored proposed legis-

lation increasing the established ceilings for subsistence allowances for veterans on-the-job training and an increase in allowances for veterans with dependents of \$7.50 for married veterans and \$10 and \$7.50 for those with children; Col. John Thomas Taylor and C. H. Munson, representing the American Legion, who appeared in support of S. 407, "which calls for the elimination of specific limitations on the compensation for productive labor and subsistence allowance which may be received by veterans obtaining an education or on-the-job training benefits under the Servicemen's Readjustment Act of 1944 and to eliminate the 2-year limitation for on-the-job training under this act" as now carried in P. L. 679 of the 79th Congress. Subcommittee will next meet in executive session to study these bills.

RECLAMATION PROJECTS

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee continuing hearings on S. 912, to exempt certain lands from land limitation provisions of the Federal reclamation laws, heard the following witnesses in support of the legislation: Senators Connally and Downey; J. E. Sturrock, Texas Water Conservation Association, Austin, Tex.; A. C. Cramer, Elsa, Tex.; Claude Williams, attorney for Rogers Lacy; and Harry Barnes, Madera irrigation district. Appearing in opposition to the legislation were Judge Oscar C. Dancy, judge for Cameron County, Tex.; Judge John C. Myrick, attorney from Haldingen, Tex.; and D. S. Stonier and R. L. Boke, Bureau of Recla-

mation, both of California. Hearings continue tomorrow.

NATURAL RESOURCES

Committee on Public Lands: In open hearings the Subcommittee on Natural Resources, in connection with its investigation of mineral resources, heard Secretary of Interior Krug; Dr. W. E. Wrather, Director of the Geological Survey; Dr. R. R. Sayers, Director of the Bureau of Mines; and Oliver Ralston, Metallurgical Branch, outline the functions and problems of their respective offices. Secretary Krug presented a 325-page study of the 39 leading minerals produced in this country. Each of them pointed out the need of funds for a survey and compilation of data on available strategical minerals and the need of funds for pilot plants to aid in the improvement of processes for the mining and manufacture of such minerals. Committee continues tomorrow in a discussion of specific minerals.

SMALL BUSINESS—STEEL

Special Committee to Study Problems of American Small Business: Subcommittee on Steel, discussing steel supply and distribution affecting smaller manufacturers and users, heard M. J. Kohnstamm, purchasing agent, Morrison Steel Products, Inc., Buffalo, N. Y., describe difficulties experienced by his company in securing steel for manufacture of products on the critical housing list. Certain steel companies have withdrawn from distribution in the Buffalo area upsetting the distribution pattern. Hearings continue tomorrow.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Sixteen public bills, H. R. 3479-3494; six private bills, H. R. 3495-3500; and one resolution, H. Res. 212, were introduced. Pages 5397-5398

Bills Reported: Bills were reported as follows:

H. Res. 176, conducting studies and investigations relating to matters coming within the jurisdiction of the Committee on Post Office and Civil Service under rule XI (1) (e) (the Federal civil service generally) of the Rules of the House (H. Rept. 388); and

H. Res. 212, rule granting 4 hours' debate on H. R. 49, statehood for Hawaii (H. Rept. 389). Page 5397

Resignation of Member: Representative D'Alesandro notified the House of his resignation as Representative from the Third Congressional District of Maryland, to be effective May 16, 1947. Page 5347

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Greek-Turkish Loan: Both Houses adopted the conference report (H. Rept. 377) on S. 938, to provide assistance to Greece and Turkey, thus clearing the bill for the President's signature. Pages 5348-5349

State-Commerce-Justice-Judiciary Appropriations: In Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union, completed consideration of, passed, and sent to the Senate H. R. 3311, State, Commerce, Justice, and Judiciary appropriations bill for 1948. An amendment substantially increasing the appropriation for air-safety controls was agreed to by the body. Pages 5348-5386

Veterans' Housing: Passed H. Res. 199, rule making in order 2 hours' consideration for H. R. 2780. After the debate on this measure, the House passed S. 854, providing for completion of temporary housing projects for student veterans, after striking out the text of the Senate bill and inserting the language of H. R. 2780, a similar House bill. Pages 5387-5393

UNRRA Report: Received from the President, and referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs, the Tenth Annual Report on UNRRA as of December 31, 1946.

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Naval Appropriations: By unanimous consent, the House approved a motion by Representative Taber that the Appropriations Committee be given until midnight Friday, May 16, to file a report on H. R. 3497, Naval appropriations bill for 1948, which, when filed, will be House Report No. 390.

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FARM LOANS

Committee on Agriculture: Held hearings on H. R. 3330, to make available to farmers through the Federal land bank system loans similar to those made by the Land Bank Commissioner, and heard Ivy W. Duggan, Governor, Farm Credit Administration; and Walter J. Robinson, Director of the Federal Land Bank of Spokane, Wash., both of whom testified in favor of the bill. Hearings continue tomorrow.

MILITARY

Committee on Armed Services: Personnel Subcommittee continued hearings on H. R. 2536, Army promotion bill, and heard Brig. Gen. John E. Dahlquist, USA, who testified in support of the bill. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

Retirement Subcommittee continued hearings on H. R. 2744, Army Vitalization and Retirement Equalization Act of 1946, and heard Col. Melvin J. Maas, USMCR, who testified with regard to an amendment proposed in connection with the bill; and Col. Latoszewski, USA, who testified in favor of the bill. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

PERMANENT WAR HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: Held executive session on disposal of permanent war housing and announced agreement on form of bill to be introduced, to be known as "War Housing Disposal Act of 1947," providing for transfer of functions with respect to war housing to Federal Works Administration; sales to be made in single units when possible; veterans having priority.

D. C. POLICE

Committee on the District of Columbia: Subcommittee on Public Service, Streets, and Traffic met in executive session and ordered favorably reported to the full committee the following bills: H. R. 2470, authorizing police band; H. R. 2072, credit military service of police and firemen for retirement purposes; and H. R. 2947, authorizing adequate White House police force.

FEDERAL AID TO EDUCATION

Committee on Education and Labor: Subcommittee on Education continued hearings on various bills pertaining to Federal aid to education, and heard Sara T. Walsh, director, national teachers division, United Public Workers of America, CIO, who testified in favor of the pending legislation; Gen. Amos Fries, director and editor, "Friends of the Public Schools," who testified in opposition to all Federal aid to education bills; Rev. Thomas B. Keehn, executive secretary, Council for Social Action, Congregational-Christian Churches, who testified in favor of the bills and directed his testimony especially to S. 472; and Eleanor Neff, woman's division, Christian Service, Methodist Church, who testified in favor of the bills. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

NATIONAL SECURITY ACT OF 1947—SURPLUS

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Continued hearings on H. R. 2319, National Security Act of 1947, and heard Admiral Nimitz, who testified favorably as to the over-all bill. He stated that he was not opposed to writing in the bill the basic functions of the various military units.

Subcommittee on Surplus Property resumed hearings on contract between the Palmer Bolt & Nut Co., Inc., of Detroit, Mich., and the War Assets Administration, and heard Irving J. Feldman, Brooklyn, N. Y., president of Metal Fastenings, Inc., and the Keystone Bolt & Nut Corp.; and Bayre Levin, attorney for Palmer Bolt & Nut Co.

INTERNATIONAL REFUGEE ORGANIZATION

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Held hearings on S. J. Res. 77, international refugee organization, and heard Gen. John H. Hilldring, Assistant Secretary of State.

INTERNATIONAL AIR CARRIERS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Continued hearings on Chosen Instrument and Sea-Air bills and heard Mr. Carleton Putnam, president, Chicago & Southern Air Lines, Inc., Memphis, Tenn., who concluded his testimony in opposition to chosen instrument legislation; Croil Hunter, president, Northwest Airlines, Inc., St. Paul, Minn.; T. E. Braniff, president, Braniff Airways, Love Field, Dallas, Tex.; and John Lawrence, managing director of American Trucking Associations, Inc., Washington, D. C. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

MONOPOLIES—RAILROADS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 2 met in executive session and ordered favorably reported to the full committee, with amendments, H. R. 515, to amend sections 7 and 11 of the Clayton Act, as amended. Also, it was agreed to recommend adversely to the

full committee H. R. 110, to amend existing antitrust statutes with respect to news press services.

Subcommittee on Bankruptcy and Reorganization continued hearings on H. R. 3237, railroad reorganization, and heard Edward W. Bourne, counsel for protective committee for Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific Railroad Co.; and Willkie Bushby, attorney for the Metropolitan Life Insurance Co. as remaining member of the first and refunding group of bondholders of the Rock Island Railroad, both of whom testified in opposition to the bill. Also, a statement was filed by the Interstate Commerce Commission with regard to the bill.

FISH—AMENDING SHIP SALES ACT

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Subcommittee on Salt Water Fish and Shellfish Problems met in executive session and ordered favorably reported to the full committee, with amendments, H. R. 1693, providing aid to States in fish restoration; H. R. 859, providing for exploration of fishing resources in tropical Pacific Ocean; and H. R. 1260, amending Canal Zone Code.

Full committee met in executive session and ordered favorably reported to the House, with amendments, H. R. 859 and H. R. 1260.

Subcommittee on Ship Sales, Charters, and Lay-ups continued hearings on amendments to Ship Sales Act of 1946, and heard Rear Admiral W. M. Callaghan, Navy Department; Hon. Clyde B. Aitchison, Chairman, Interstate Commerce Commission; and Gordon Duke, Southeastern Oil Co. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

POSTAL RATES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Held executive session on H. R. 2408, postal rates.

IRRIGATION—INDIANS

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation held hearings on H. R. 3348, allocation of costs of construction of the Coachella Division of the All-American Canal irrigation project, Calif., and H. R. 2167, authorizing the inclusion within the Angostura water conservation and utilization project in South Dakota of certain lands within the Bad Lands-Fall River project, and heard Representative Phillips and William E. Warne, Assistant Commissioner, Bureau of Reclamation, Department of the Interior, both of whom testified in favor of H. R. 3348.

Subcommittee on Indian Affairs held hearings on H. R. 3372, authorizing certain agreements with respect to rights pertaining to helium-bearing gas lands on Navajo Indian Reservation, N. Mex., and heard R. A. Cattell, Chief, Petroleum and Natural Gas Division, Bureau of Mines, Department of the Interior; John H.

Provinse, Assistant Commissioner, Office of Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior, both of whom testified in favor of the bill. Subcommittee also allotted time to a group of California Indian delegates to testify in regard to Indian problems in California, and heard the following witnesses: Alfred C. Gillis, delegate chairman; F. G. Collett, legal representative; Hathaway L. Stevens; and Herbert Bellas, John H. Provinse, Assistant Commissioner, Bureau of Indian Affairs, also testified.

FLOOD CONTROL

Committee on Public Works: Subcommittee on Rivers and Harbors held executive session on various river and harbor projects.

Subcommittee on Flood Control continued hearings on H. R. 590, to repeal authorization for construction of the Osceola Dam on the Osage River, Mo., and heard a delegation of witnesses from Missouri. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

RULES

Committee on Rules: Heard Chairman Welch of the Committee on Public Lands and Representative Russell, who appeared in favor of a rule for the consideration of H. R. 2455, creating within the Department of the Interior a National Mineral Resources Division. Hearings will be continued at a later date. Chairman Reece of the Committee on Post Office and Civil Service and Representative Hagen appeared in favor of H. Res. 176, authorizing and directing the Committee on Post Office and Civil Service to conduct thorough studies and investigations relating to matters coming within the jurisdiction of such committee under rule XI (1) (c) of the Rules of the House of Representatives, which was ordered favorably reported by the committee. In executive session, H. Res. 212, providing for 4 hours of general debate on H. R. 49, statehood for Hawaii, was ordered favorably reported.

TAX BILLS

Committee on Ways and Means: Met in executive session and heard the following Members of Congress on pending tax bills: Representative Hobbs on H. R. 1104; Representative Celler on H. R. 1228; Representative Williams on H. R. 661; Representative Cole on H. R. 3192; Representative Buck on H. R. 2227; Representative Clason on H. R. 885 and H. R. 2637; Representative Landis on H. R. 781; Representative Morris on H. R. 2410; Representative Plumley on H. R. 276; Representative Rogers on H. R. 588 and H. R. 1641; and Representative Sasser on H. R. 2975 and H. R. 2156.

PAPER

Select Committee on Newsprint and Paper Supply: Held hearings on paper shortage and heard E. A. Charlton,

of New York; Representative Allen (La.); R. W. Worthan, Jr., vice president, Southland Paper Mills, Lufkin, Tex.; Fred H. Arnold, regional forester, Department of the Interior, Richmond, Va.; and John F. Shanklin, Assistant Director of Forests, Department of the Interior, Washington, D. C.

REPORT ON JOINT COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Conferees on H. R. 2700, Labor-Federal Security appropriation bill, met in executive session but made no announcement. Another meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, May 20.

Conferees on H. R. 3020, labor bill, held organization meeting and adjourned until Monday, May 19.

Conferees on H. J. Res. 153, authorizing \$350,000,000 for the relief of the people of countries devastated by war, held two sessions but failed to reach agreement. Another meeting is scheduled for tomorrow afternoon.

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(New Law)

(For last listing of public laws, see p. D174)

H. J. Res. 90, relating to composition of Naval Reserve with respect to members from the Philippines. Signed May 15, 1947 (P. L. 50).

H. R. 173, sale of land in Alaska. Signed May 15, 1947 (P. L. 51).

H. R. 490, authorizing the appointment of a U. S. Commissioner in Big Bend National Park, Tex. Signed May 15, 1947 (P. L. 52).

H. R. 492, to authorize a waiving of jurisdiction in D. C. Juvenile Court in capital offenses. Signed May 15, 1947 (P. L. 53).

H. R. 729, authorizing the appointment of a U. S. Commissioner in Shenandoah National Park. Signed May 15, 1947 (P. L. 54).

H. R. 1363, amending the Pay Readjustment Act relative to dependents' allowances. Signed May 15, 1947 (P. L. 55).

H. R. 1365, creating the office of Navy Chief of Chaplains. Signed May 15, 1947 (P. L. 56).

H. R. 1369, creating the permanent positions of Under Secretary of War and Navy. Signed May 15, 1947 (P. L. 57).

H. R. 1381, relating to the acceptance of decorations and medals by members of the armed forces. Signed May 15, 1947 (P. L. 58).

H. R. 2758, policing the Washington National Airport. Signed May 15, 1947 (P. L. 59).

H. R. 2846, authorizing the removal of stone piers on West Executive Avenue. Signed May 15, 1947 (P. L. 60).

Friday, May 16, 1947

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed Second Deficiency Appropriations bill and worked on Science Foundation measure; House in adjournment.

Banking and Housing bills ordered reported to House.

Subcommittee announced to investigate reciprocal trade agreements program.

Conferees reached agreement on war relief bill.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 5403-5412.

Bills Introduced: Eight bills were introduced, as follows: S. 1299-S. 1306. Page 5405

Bills Reported: Bills and resolutions were reported as follows:

S. 1135, to extend provisions of Servicemen's Readjustment Act of 1944, relating to leases for periods not exceeding 5 years (S. Rept. 176);

S. J. Res. 115, to authorize the Veterans' Administrator to continue and establish offices in Philippines (S. Rept. 177);

H. R. 1844, to authorize Veterans' Administrator to grant rights-of-way in lands under their supervision (S. Rept. 178);

S. 309, designating American Indian Day (S. Rept. 179);

S. J. Res. 64, to proclaim the 9th of October as Leif Erickson Day (S. Rept. 180);

S. J. Res. 78, designating September 17 as Constitution Day (S. Rept. 181); and

S. J. Res. 92, designating April 5, 1947, as Booker T. Washington Day (S. Rept. 182). Page 5405

Bill Referred: The following House-passed bill was referred: H. R. 3311 (Committee on Appropriations). (For passage in House, see Digest, p. D177.) Page 5406

Science Foundation: Debated S. 526, to establish a National Science Foundation, and defeated the Kilgore amendment relating to apportionment of funds among the States by 30 yeas to 49 nays. A similar proposal by Senator Morse would provide that 10 percent of the money apportioned for Foundation research activities should be apportioned among the States in equal shares and that 15 percent be apportioned on the basis of population, is the pending amendment.

An amendment by Senator Hickenlooper limiting the operations of the Foundation in the field of atomic energy was adopted.

Pages 5398-5404, 5412, 5413-5427, 5430-5439

Deficiency Appropriation: Senate passed H. R. 3245, Second Deficiency Appropriation bill, proposing a total of \$135,418,858. This is a decrease of \$4,109,556 under the estimates and represents a net increase over the House-passed figure of \$39,940,200. A conference was asked of the House and the following conferees were appointed: Senators Bridges, Brooks, Gurney, Ball, McKellar, Hayden, and Tydings. Pages 5427-5430

Resolution Passed: S. Res. 110, providing for compensation to widow of deceased Senate employee, was passed without objection. Page 5405

Nominations: Received 31 nominations in the Diplomatic and Foreign Service. Page 5439

Reports on Committee Meetings

INTERIOR APPROPRIATION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee continued hearings on H. R. 3123, Interior Department Appropriation bill, and received testimony from the following witnesses: Governors of Montana and Nebraska; Senators Hatch, Chavez, Ecton, Murray, Butler, and Young; Fred E. Wilson, Middle Rio Grande Flood Control Association; Austin Lovett, Rio Grande Flood Control Association; A. F. Winkler, Columbia Basin Inter Agency Association; Donald C. Treloar, Flathead Valley Citizens Association; M. C. Blanchard, Santa Fe Railroad; Thomas H. Mears, and Kent C. Fuller, representing the City of Needles, Calif.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Monday, May 19, at 12 o'clock noon.

Reports on Committee Meetings

FARM LOANS

Committee on Agriculture: Held hearings on H. R. 3330, to make available to farmers through the Federal

PUBLIC LIBRARY SERVICE

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee on Education heard 13 witnesses testify generally in support of S. 48, to provide \$25,000 a year for each of 4 years by the Federal Government to States for the demonstration of public library service with provision for added additional sums to meet expanded plans by States. The witnesses include Senators Aiken and Hill; Commissioner John W. Studebaker, Office of Education; and representatives of American Libraries Association, Farm Union, National Grange, Farm Bureau Federation (Women's Division), National Federation of Women's Clubs, and other interested individuals.

NATURAL RESOURCES—STRATEGICAL MINERALS

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Natural Resources continued its study of strategical minerals with Oliver Ralston, Metallurgical Branch; Dr. Elmer Pehrson, Chief of the Economics Division of the Bureau of Mines; and Harold M. Bannerman, Division of Economic Geology, all of the Department of Interior, discuss the position of the U. S. in the production of various strategical minerals. Hearings continue Monday, May 19.

RECLAMATION PROJECTS

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee continuing hearings on S. 912, to exempt certain lands in Colorado, California, and Texas, from land limitation provisions of the Federal reclamation laws, heard D. S. Stoner, and Paul H. Johnstone, Bureau of Reclamation, appear in opposition to the bill.

SMALL BUSINESS—STEEL

Special Committee to Study Problems of American Small Business: Subcommittee on Steel continued hearings with Joseph Markel, Markel Electric Products Co., Buffalo; Sydney Raphael, Hollow Metal Door & Buck Association, New York (accompanied by Herman Seer, Triangle Steel Products Corp., and Harry Rosenblum, American Steel Buck Corp., New York); and Augustus C. Studer, Jr., and John V. Quarles, Stangard-Dickerson Corp., Newark, N. J., relating inability of their plants to get steel for critical housing items, and complaining of "grey market" operations. Hearings continue next Wednesday, May 21.

Land Bank System loans similar to those made by the Land Bank Commissioner, and heard Carl Schwin, director, Federal Land Bank of Louisville; J. Ralph Graham, director, Federal Land Bank of Springfield; John H. Crocker, who testified in behalf of the American Bankers Association; W. W. Martin, director, Federal Land Bank of St. Louis; Sam Rask, director, Federal Land Bank of St. Paul; Roy L. Thompson, Federal

Land Bank of New Orleans; W. R. Ogg, who testified in behalf of the American Farm Bureau Federation; and John Riggle, who testified in behalf of the National Association of Farm Cooperatives.

MILITARY

Committee on Armed Services: Retirement Subcommittee continued hearings on H. R. 2744, Army Vitalization and Retirement Equalization bill and heard representatives of the War Department who appeared in support of the bill; also General Walsh of the National Guard Association.

Personnel Subcommittee continued hearings on H. R. 2536, Army promotion bill, and heard representatives of the Dental and Veterinarians Association who suggested certain changes in the bill.

Organization and Mobilization Subcommittee met on H. R. 3049, extension of Export Contract Act.

BANKING—HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: Held hearings on H. R. 2798, H. R. 2799, and H. R. 2800, Home Owners' Loan bills, and heard Hon. John H. Fahey, Commissioner, Federal Home Loan Bank Administration. Also held executive session and ordered favorably reported the following bills: H. R. 2798, H. R. 2799, H. R. 2800, H. R. 3448, and H. R. 3492. The first four mentioned deal with amendments to be made to the Home Owners' Loan Act of 1933, the Federal Home Loan Act, or the National Housing Act. H. R. 3492 is a measure designed to expedite disposition of certain housing, other than temporary housing, acquired under the Lanham War Housing Act.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Committee on the District of Columbia: Judiciary Subcommittee met in executive session and ordered favorably reported to the full committee H. R. 1893, authorizing sale of the bed of E Street SW., between Twelfth and Thirteenth Streets, in the District of Columbia, to the Philadelphia, Baltimore & Washington Railroad Co.; and H. R. 3235, to amend the District Code with respect to the abandonment of condemnation proceedings. Subcommittee also considered a bill on bribery which was drafted as a result of hearings on three bills now pending before the committee. This unnumbered bill was approved and a committee print will be presented to the committee membership for action on Monday.

FEDERAL AID TO EDUCATION

Committee on Education and Labor: Subcommittee on Education continued hearings on various bills pertaining to Federal aid to education, and heard Mrs. Gertrude Folks Zimand, general secretary, National Child Labor Committee; Charles J. Hendley, Teachers' Union of New York City, Local 555, UPW-CIO; Charles E. Babcock, National Council, Junior Order of United American Mechanics of the U. S. of N. A., all of whom testified

in favor of the bills; and Walter O. Howe, executive vice president, Citizens Public Expenditure Survey, New York State, who testified in opposition to the legislation.

INFORMATION AND EDUCATIONAL EXCHANGE ACT OF 1947

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Special Subcommittee resumed hearings on H. R. 3342, Information and Educational Exchange Act of 1947, and heard Hon. George C. Marshall, Secretary of State; Hon. William Benton, Assistant Secretary of State; and Malcolm Pirnie, chairman, International Relations Committee, Engineer's Joint Council. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

INTERNATIONAL AIR CARRIERS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Continued hearings on Chosen Instrument and Sea-Air bills and heard Hon. James M. Landis, chairman, Civil Aeronautics Board, Washington, D. C., who testified in opposition to chosen-instrument legislation.

JUDICIAL—RAILROADS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Claims conducted public hearings on private claims measures.

Subcommittee on Immigration and Naturalization considered private immigration bills.

Subcommittee No. 1 held hearings on H. R. 28, to provide annuities for persons who have served as President of the United States, and heard Representatives Bell and Reeves, who testified in support of the bill.

Subcommittee on Bankruptcy and Reorganization continued hearings on H. R. 3237, railroad reorganization, and heard John W. Gerhes, counsel for the Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific Railroad; James D. Carpenter, counsel for trustee, Central Railroad of New Jersey; Frank B. Hand, attorney, Georgia, Florida, & Alabama Railroad; Fred N. Oliver, general counsel for the National Association of Mutual Savings Banks, New York; and Carter Harrison, Jr., chairman, preferred stock committee, Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific Railroad.

SEAMEN'S BILL OF RIGHTS

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Subcommittee on Ship Construction and Operation and Maritime Labor held hearings on H. R. 476, Seamen's Bill of Rights, and heard Theodore L. Kingsley, executive vice president, Alumni Association, U. S. Merchant Marine Cadet Corps; John W. Manning, merchant seaman; and Seth Levine, CIO Maritime Committee.

POSTAL RATES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Held executive session on H. R. 2408, postal rates.

Subcommittee to consider H. R. 2857, to extend second-class mailing privileges to bulletins issued by State conservation and fish and game agencies or depart-

ments, ordered bill favorably reported to the full committee.

IRRIGATION

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation held hearings on H. R. 1349, temporary weir on Colorado River, and H. R. 3151, to grant land and water rights to Las Vegas, Nev., and heard Representative Phillips of California; and J. G. Will, Department of the Interior, who testified in favor of H. R. 1349. Subcommittee ordered the bill favorably reported to the full committee. Representative Russell urged passage of H. R. 3151, and subcommittee ordered the bill favorably reported to the full committee. Clifford Stone, of Colorado State Water Board, testified on H. R. 2841.

FLOOD CONTROL

Committee on Public Works: Subcommittee on Flood Control concluded hearings on H. R. 590, to repeal authorization of construction of the Osceola Dam on the Osage River, Mo., and heard a delegation of witnesses from Missouri.

Subcommittee on Public Buildings and Grounds held hearings on H. R. 2417, transfer by Public Works Agency to the city of De Ridder, La., for resale certain bonds issued by such city, and heard George H. Field, Commissioner, and Joseph Guandolo, solicitor, Bureau of Community Facilities; and William Denny, Financial Director, FWA; all of whom testified in opposition to the bill; and Representative Larcade, who testified in favor of the bill.

TAX BILLS—RECIPROCAL TRADE AGREEMENTS

Committee on Ways and Means: Met in executive session and heard the following Members of Congress on pending tax bills: Representative Dirksen on H. R. 60 and H. R. 99; Representative Gary on H. R. 1941; Representative Hand on H. R. 69 and H. R. 71; Representative Van Zandt on H. R. 2463; Representative Keefe on H. R. 1445 and H. R. 3231; Representative McMahon on H. R. 961; Representative Kilday on H. R. 881, H. R. 1048, and H. R. 2992; Representative Kee on H. R. 1047; Representative Allen (La.) on H. R. 934, H. R. 1031, and H. R. 1097; Representative Barrett on H. R. 662; Representative Angell on H. R. 16; Representative Case on H. R. 2163, H. R. 2539, and H. R. 2866; Representative Boggs on H. R. 2612; Representative Reeves on H. R. 1759; Representative Redden on H. R. 2623; Representative Rogers on H. R. 968, H. R. 2724, and H. R. 2974; Representative Chenoweth on H. R. 1640; Representative D'Ewart on H. R. 1875; Representative Hagen submitted statement; Representative Harris on H. R. 1753 and H. R. 2934; Representative Smathers on H. R. 1601 and H. R. 3210; Representative O'Toole on H. R. 272 and H. R. 467;

Representative Farrington on H. R. 3229; Representative Elliott on H. R. 598; Representative Bartlett on H. R. 204; Representative Gross on H. R. 2355; Representative Feighan on H. R. 2541; Representative Horan on H. R. 1026 and H. R. 1027; Representative Potts on H. R. 1052 and H. R. 2678; Representative Donohue on H. R. 3154; and Representative Havenner on H. R. 2495.

In executive session, committee adopted Mr. Gearhart's motion to appoint a subcommittee to investigate the reciprocal trade agreements program.

REPORT ON JOINT COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Conferees on H. J. Res. 153 reached agreement providing an authorization of \$350,000,000 for relief assistance to the people of countries devastated by war. This is the figure as passed by the Senate and contrasts with \$200,000,000 approved by the House, but \$40,000,000 of the amount shall go for the Children's Fund. Relief will not be available in any country except Austria, Greece, Hungary, Italy, Trieste, Poland, and China.

BILLS SIGNED BY THE PRESIDENT

(New Laws)

(For last listing of public laws, see p. D180)

H. R. 1605, to provide that position on Army seniority lists be determined by date of offering commission rather than acceptance. Signed May 15, 1947 (P. L. 61);

H. R. 1359, to increase from 2 to 3 percent the total authorized number of Navy officers to serve in the Corps of Engineers. Signed May 16, 1947 (P. L. 62);

H. R. 1367, to authorize construction of two experimental submarines. Signed May 16, 1947 (P. L. 63);

H. R. 1368, to include civilian officers and employees of U. S. Naval Government on Guam under the Missing Persons Act. Signed May 16, 1947 (P. L. 64);

S. 132, relieving customs collectors of liability for failure to collect certain tonnage duties. Signed May 16, 1947 (P. L. 65);

S. 460, amending the Nationality Act of 1940, changing the section numbered 727 to read "327", on non-profit photographic studios on Federal property. Signed May 16, 1947 (P. L. 66);

S. 534, authorizing additional time off and compensation to prison inmates for exceptional meritorious services. Signed May 16, 1947 (P. L. 67);

S. 64, consent of Congress for construction of dam across Dan River, N. C. Signed May 16, 1947 (P. L. 68);

S. 214, changing name of Lugert-Altus irrigation project to that of W. C. Austin (Oklahoma). Signed May 16, 1947 (P. L. 69); and

H. R. 450, to convey Marblehead Military Reservation to Marblehead, Mass. Signed May 16, 1947 (P. L. 70).

Monday, May 19, 1947

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate voted on apportionment of research funds to States in science bill; House conducted memorial services.
Hearings opened on Information for Business Assistance and International Air Carriers by Senate groups.
Hearings announced on St. Lawrence Waterway.
Twelve bills on homestead entries, immigration, and private claims approved by Senate groups.
New postal-rate bill approved by House committee.
Hearings opened on tax revision by House group.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 5439-5445.

Bills Introduced: Eleven bills and three resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1307-S. 1317, S. J. Res. 116, and S. Res. 114-115. *Pages 5442-5443*

Bills Reported: Bills were reported as follows:

H. R. 603, to extend service credits to members of the Merchant Marine during World War II, for homestead entry purposes (S. Rept. 183); and

H. R. 1288, authorizing the granting of a right-of-way to Roscoe L. Wood (S. Rept. 184). *Page 5442*

Science Foundation: Senate continued debate on S. 526, creating a National Science Foundation, and took the following action: An amendment by Senator Morse to provide that not less than 25 percent of the funds appropriated for research activities should be apportioned among the States was adopted, 42 yeas to 40 nays. Senator Morse moved to reconsider the vote and Senator Lucas moved to table that motion, thus preventing future reconsideration. A second amendment by Senator Morse, providing that an additional 25 percent of the research funds should be expended in nonprofit organization facilities, was defeated by division vote.

The Kilgore amendment relating to the use and dissemination of research findings was defeated by 28 yeas to 50 nays.

By unanimous consent it was ordered to start voting at 3:30 p. m., May 20, on all pending amendments and then the bill itself. *Pages 5445, 5447-5448*

Health Program: Both Houses received President's message on national health and disability insurance program (H. Doc. 261). In the Senate the message was referred to the Committee on Labor and Public Welfare and in the House to Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce. *Pages 5444, 5490*

War Widows: Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of S. 1153, to incorporate the National Committee for All War Widows, and the bill indefinitely postponed. *Page 5444*

Nominations: Three nominations in the regular corps of the Public Health Service were received, together with 306 appointments in the Army (graduating class of the Military Academy). *Page 5485*

Reports on Committee Meetings

INTERIOR APPROPRIATION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on H. R. 3123, Interior Department appropriation bill, heard testimony from the following witnesses: Representatives Mansfield (Mont.) and Phillips (Calif.); Reclamation Commissioner Michael W. Straus; and Assistant Commissioners William E. Warne and Kenneth Markwell.

GOVERNMENT CAFETERIAS

Committee on Civil Service: Subcommittee met in executive session to discuss the investigation of Government cafeterias, but made no announcement of action taken. Full committee meets tomorrow.

D. C. BILLS

Committee on the District of Columbia: Subcommittee held hearings on three bills, after which the first two listed below were approved for reporting to the full committee.

Corporation Counsel Vernon West and Robert Davis, Director, Department of Inspection, appeared in favor of S. 1124, to amend the Boiler Inspection Act of the District of Columbia.

Corporation Counsel Vernon West, R. F. Curry, D. C. Purchasing Office, Leslie P. Parmele, Assistant Director of the Surplus Property of the District of Columbia schools, and a representative of public libraries, testified

in support of S. 966, to establish District Educational Agency for Surplus Property.

The following witnesses testified in favor of S. 988, to permit compulsory tests of blood and breath of persons charged with certain offenses: Corporation Counsel Vernon West; George C. Keneipp, Department of Vehicles and Traffic; Dr. George C. Ruhland, Health Officer; Washington I. Cleveland, American Automobile Association; Mrs. George C. Thorpe, Women's Safety Committee of the AAA; Dr. Oscar B. Hunter; Inspectors Arthur Miller and Walter Thomas, both D. C. Police Department; M. O. Eldridge, former Assistant Director of Vehicles and Traffic; and Nathan Lubar, Board of Commissioners of Traffic Regulations. Subcommittee meets again tomorrow.

INFORMATION FOR BUSINESS ASSISTANCE

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Committee opened hearings on S. 493, Technical Information and Services Act, and heard the following witnesses: Senator Aiken supported the bill as "a peacetime charter for a businessman's clearinghouse of technical information"; Senator Fulbright favored the measure as "the only bill pending which insures the use of the technical data which have been developed and assembled and which would make available for use scientific technical data which may be developed in the future," holding that the benefits from the bill would outweigh the expenses; Edward U. Condon, Director of the National Bureau of Standards, held the proposal would render a real service in the development of a complete technological library of reports and documents, making these papers available on a national service basis; William C. Foster, Under Secretary of Commerce, supported the bill, stating that the Department endorsed it; and Herbert L. Sherman, treasurer of Skinner & Sherman, Inc., favored the bill but with various amendments.

LABOR ORGANIZATION—ST. LAWRENCE WATERWAY

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee heard Assistant Secretary of Labor David Morse; Frieda S. Miller, Director, Women's Bureau; and Robert Watt, of the A. F. of L., on an amendment of the International Labor Organization Charter.

Hearings on the St. Lawrence Waterway proposal (S. J. Res. 111) have been set tentatively for June 28 before a subcommittee composed of Senators Wiley, Smith, Hickenlooper, Thomas (Utah), and Hatch.

INTERNATIONAL AIR CARRIERS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee opened hearings on S. 987, to consolidate American Flag International Airlines, and heard William A. Patterson, president of United Air Lines, Inc., testify in support of merging U. S. Overseas Airlines; and Hugh Lynch, counsel for Mississippi Shipping Co.,

testify in support of merging U. S. Overseas Flag Lines. Hearings continue tomorrow.

NATIONAL AIR POLICY BOARD

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee met on May 17 on S. 293 and S. 1276, to provide for the establishment of a National Air Policy Board, and heard the following witnesses testify in support of the legislation, urging Government aid to assure their future operation: Oliver P. Echols, president, Aircraft Industries Association of America; Merrill C. Meigs, former chairman, Aircraft Division, WPB, Chicago; Glenn L. Martin, president, Glenn L. Martin Co.; H. M. Horner, president, United Aircraft Corp.; Robert E. Gross, president, Lockheed Aircraft Corp.; Carlton Ward, Jr., president, Fairchild Engine & Airplane Corp.; Harry Woodhead, president, and I. M. Laddon, executive vice president, Consolidated-Vultee Aircraft Corp.; and R. E. Gillmor, vice president, Sperry Corp.

JUDICIAL NOMINATIONS

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee favorably approved the nominations of Peyton Ford, of Oklahoma, to be an Assistant Attorney General to fill an existing vacancy; and Bryce R. Holt, of North Carolina, to be U. S. attorney for the middle district of that State.

IMMIGRATION AND PRIVATE BILLS

Committee on the Judiciary: In executive session committee also approved 10 bills, of which 8 are private (H. R. 428, 444, 1494, S. 50, 315, 514, 317, and 882). The two others are S. 461 setting 50 cents as a minimum fee for furnishing copies of records for Immigration and Naturalization Service; and H. R. 236, to permit naturalization proceedings and presentation of petitions at places other than clerk's office or in open court in case of sickness, etc.

NOMINATION OF JED JOHNSON

Committee on the Judiciary: On Saturday subcommittee concluded hearings on the nomination of Jed Johnson, to be judge of the U. S. Customs Court, after hearing the following pro and con witnesses: Senators Thomas (Okla.), McFarland, and Dworshak; Representatives Jones (Ohio), Case (S. Dak.), and Jensen; William Zimmerman, acting Indian Commissioner; Ellen Downes; John Collier, former Commissioner of Indian Affairs; Ray St. Lewis, former Assistant Attorney General; A. Debitt Venech, Assistant Attorney General; and Jed Johnson.

MERCHANT MARINE—HOMESTEAD ENTRIES

Committee on Public Lands: In executive session the committee reported H. R. 603, to extend service credits to members of the Merchant Marine during World War II, on same basis as granted to military and naval men for homestead-entry purposes; and H. R. 1288, authorizing the granting of a right-of-way to Roscoe L. Wood, with perfecting amendments.

RECLAMATION PROJECTS

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee continued hearings on S. 912, to exempt certain lands in Colorado, California, and Texas, from land-limitation provisions of Federal reclamation laws with Paul H. Johnstone, Bureau of Reclamation, continuing his testimony in opposition to the bill.

MARYLAND CONTESTED ELECTION

Committee on Rules and Administration: Subcommittee on Privileges and Elections met in executive session and heard arguments of G. C. Daub, counsel for D. John Markey, and William L. Marbury, counsel for Senator O'Connor, concerning the Maryland senatorial election contest. Subcommittee continues tomorrow.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Twenty-two public bills, H. R. 3501-3522; four private bills, H. R. 3523-3526; and one resolution, H. Res. 213, were introduced. Pages 5491-5492

Bills Reported: Bills and resolutions were reported, as follows:

H. R. 3448, amending the Federal Home Loan Bank Act, so as to permit Federal home loan banks to accept mortgages of not more than 25 years' maturity as mortgage collateral for advances to member institutions (H. Rept. 391);

H. J. Res. 196, authorizing the Administrator of Veterans' Affairs to continue and establish offices in the Republic of the Philippines (H. Rept. 392);

S. 993, providing for the reincorporation of the Export-Import Bank of Washington (H. Rept. 393); and

H. J. Res. 167, recognizing uncompensated services rendered the Nation under the Selective Service Act of 1940, as amended (H. Rept. 394). Page 5491

Memorial Services: Pursuant to H. Res. 179, the House held its annual memorial services in respect to Members of the House and Senate deceased during the past year. The program, during a recessed session, was as follows:

Sacred selections by the U. S. Marine Corps orchestra. House called to order by the Speaker, Hon. Joseph W. Martin, Jr.

Invocation by the Chaplain, Dr. James Shera Montgomery.

Solo, "There Is No Death," by Representative Tibbott, of Pennsylvania, accompanied by Musician Filler, pianist.

Scripture reading and prayer by the Chaplain.

Calling of roll of deceased Members, by Mr. Chaffee, reading clerk, representing the Clerk of the House of Representatives.

Address by Representative Keefe, of Wisconsin.

Solo, "Beautiful Isle of Somewhere," by Representative Tibbott, of Pennsylvania, accompanied by Musician Filler, pianist.

Address by Representative Mansfield, of Montana.

Taps, by Musician De Hart.

Benediction, by the Chaplain. Pages 5486-5489

Veto Message: Read a message from the President, who returned, without his approval, H. R. 2199, authorizing the Secretary of the Interior to issue a patent in fee to Henry Big Day to certain land on the Crow Indian Reservation. Action on this veto was postponed until Tuesday, May 20, and the message was ordered to be printed as a House document. Pages 5489-5490

Reports on Committee Meetings

WOOL

Committee on Agriculture: May 17, met in executive session for discussion on wool.

May 21, Special Subcommittee on Food Shortages met in executive session.

May 21, Special Subcommittee on Wool held hearings and heard C. W. Orr, secretary and treasurer, American Angora Rabbit Breeders Association; and Henry H. Fackler, chairman, Ohio Fur Dealers Association, Plymouth, Ohio. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

MILITARY

Committee on Armed Services: Legal Subcommittee considered and ordered favorably reported to the full committee the following bills: H. R. 3053, easement to land at Ewa, T. H.; H. R. 3056, easement to Bibb County, Ga.; H. R. 3252, easement to certain lands at Long Beach, Calif.; H. R. 1845, military leave for Federal employees; and H. R. 3057, providing transfer of Fort Douglas to State of Utah.

Retirement Subcommittee continued hearings on H. R. 2744, Army Vitalization and Retirement Equalization Act of 1946, and heard Col. E. J. Latoszewski, Personnel and Administration Division, War Department General Staff; Capt. T. F. Darden, Assistant Chief, Naval Personnel for Plans, U. S. Navy; Col. Ritchie, War Department; and Col. L. B. Weeks, Chief, Organization and Training Group, National Guard Bureau. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

RECONSTRUCTION FINANCE CORPORATION

Committee on Banking and Currency: Began hearings on continuation of RFC and heard John D. Goodloe, Chairman, Reconstruction Finance Corporation, who described lending policies and told of RFC assistance

to small business and of housing and veterans' loans. Mr. Goodloe said that since its inception in 1932 the RFC has accumulated a net profit to the American taxpayers of approximately \$500,000,000 over and above all its expenses, including interest paid the Treasury on money it borrowed. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Committee on the District of Columbia: Met in executive session and ordered favorably reported the following bills: H. R. 2470, establishing Metropolitan Police band; H. R. 2702, crediting military service of police and firemen for certain benefits and eligibility requirements; H. R. 2947 (S. 1022), authorizing adequate White House police force; H. R. 1893, sale of roadbed to Philadelphia, Baltimore & Washington Railroad; and H. R. 3235, abandonment of condemnation proceedings by amending D. C. Code. Committee also accepted the report on Dupont Circle Underpass.

INFORMATION AND EDUCATIONAL EXCHANGE ACT

Committee on Foreign Affairs: May 17, Special Subcommittee held hearings on H. R. 3342, U. S. Information and Educational Exchange Act of 1947, and heard Representative Taber; Representative Herter; and Dr. Daniel Lynch, chairman, international relations committee, American Dental Association.

May 19, met in executive session.

RAILROAD REORGANIZATION

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: May 17, held executive session to confer with the professional staff members and with committee members as to the progress of the work. The committee authorized adoption of the amendment made by the Senate to H. R. 2123, locomotive inspection.

May 19, held hearings on H. R. 2298, railroad reorganization, and heard Commissioner Charles D. Mahaffie, Interstate Commerce Commission, Washington, D. C.; J. Carter Fort, vice president and general counsel, Association of America Railroads, Washington, D. C.; James M. Hood, president, American Shortline Railroad Association, Washington, D. C.; Fred N. Oliver, attorney, Washington, D. C., representing National Association of Mutual Savings Banks, New York City; R. J. Fletcher, general counsel, Boston & Maine Railroad, Boston, Mass.; and Malcolm Mecartney, assistant counsel for Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific Railway Co., Chicago, Ill.

JUDICIAL

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Claims held open hearings on private claims measures.

Subcommittee No. 3 heard Representatives Gwynne and Walter on H. R. 2966, to permit commissioned Coast Guard officers to preside at the taking of certain evidence.

Subcommittee on Bankruptcy and Reorganization continued hearings on H. R. 3237, railroad reorganization, and heard the following officials of New Haven Railroad: H. J. Wells, vice president and general counsel, G. T. Carmichael, vice president, and James Lee Loomis, trustee, all of whom testified in opposition to the bill; and Aaron Colnon, trustee, Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific Railroad, who testified in support of the bill.

SEAMEN'S BILL OF RIGHTS

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Subcommittee on Ship Construction and Operation and Maritime Labor held hearings on H. R. 476, seamen's bill of rights, and heard Hoyt Haddock, CIO Maritime Committee.

POSTAL RATES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Held executive session on postal rates and agreed to introduce a new bill. This new bill (H. R. 3519) will raise postal revenues of approximately \$110,000,000. The new rates provided by the bill will be effective 60 days after enactment.

There will be no change in the present rates for post and postal cards, publications of religious, fraternal, or scientific organizations, or library books, nor any change in the minimum rate of 1 cent per piece for bulk mailing of third class or on newspapers and periodicals within the county of publication.

Air mail will be increased from 5 to 6 cents but post and postal cards will be carried by air mail at 4 cents.

Special delivery rates will be increased from 13 to 15 cents and postal notes will be increased by 1 cent.

CALIFORNIA—PUERTO RICO

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Public Lands held hearings on various bills pertaining to California land matters and heard Representative Engle on H. R. 727 and Representative Poulson on H. R. 1833. Both bills would repeal the act granting lands in Mono County to the city of Los Angeles. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

Subcommittee on Territorial and Insular Affairs held hearings on H. R. 3309, to amend the Organic Act of Puerto Rico to provide for election of Governor, and heard Secretary of the Interior Krug; Governor of Puerto Rico Piñero; Hon. James Beverly, former Governor of Puerto Rico, all of whom testified in favor of the bill; and Ruth M. Reynolds, secretary, American League for Puerto Rican Independence, who favored broader legislation giving independence in lieu of H. R. 3309.

PUBLIC BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS

Committee on Public Works: Subcommittee on Public Buildings and Grounds held hearings on H. R. 2955, authorizing sale of the Fidelity Building, Kansas City,

Mo., and heard Jerome M. Joffe, who appeared in behalf of the city council, Kansas City, Mo.; Frank L. Woodward, representing real estate board, Kansas City; Emmett Scanlon, Jr., attorney, representing tenants in the Fidelity Building; Senator Kem, of Missouri, all of whom recommended the sale of the building; Maj. Gen. Philip B. Fleming, Administrator, Federal Works Agency; W. C. Reynolds, Commissioner, Public Buildings Administration; J. W. Follin, Assistant Administrator, Federal Works Agency; and Roy Lindgren, Chief, Office of Field Space, Public Buildings Administration.

TAX REVISION

Committee on Ways and Means: Began hearings on tax revision and heard Hon. John W. Snyder, Secretary of the Treasury, setting forth Treasury recommendations on major tax items. Mr. Snyder commented on business taxes, individual income taxes, excises, estate and gift taxes, and social security taxes. Then he went on to discuss technical adjustments that he felt were necessary. Hearings will be continued tomorrow, with further testimony from Mr. Snyder.

REPORT ON JOINT COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Conferees on H. R. 3020, labor bill, held second meeting and accepted the House statement on policy (preamble). Several technical amendments were agreed to in the definition sections. Conferees meet again tomorrow.

BILLS SIGNED BY THE PRESIDENT

(New Laws)

(For last listing of public laws, see p. D183)

H. J. Res. 116, authorizing appointments to Naval Academy from enlisted men of Navy and Marine Corps. Signed May 16, 1947 (P. L. 71);

S. 273, to limit time within which GAO shall make settlement of accounts of disbursing officers. Signed May 19, 1947 (P. L. 72);

H. R. 804, authorizing reduction of interest charges on Farmers Irrigation District in Nebraska. Signed May 19, 1947 (P. L. 73); and

H. R. 1098, providing for \$300 payments to each enrolled member of Shoshone and Arapaho Tribes in Wyoming. Signed May 19, 1947 (P. L. 74).

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HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed Science Foundation bill and made tax bill unfinished business; House passed Navy Department appropriations bill for 1948, and 15 private claims bills.

RFC subcommittee appointed and sundry nominations including Under Secretary of State and Director of International Monetary Fund approved by Senate groups.

Sixteen bills on fish, wildlife, postal rates, and public lands ordered reported to House.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 5492-5498, 5515-5522.

Bills Introduced: Five bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 1318-S. 1322 and S. Res. 116.

Pages 5494-5497

Bills Reported: Bills were reported as follows:

Eight private relief bills: S. 50, 514, 882, H. R. 428, 444, 1494, S. 315, and 317 (S. Repts. 185, 186, 187, 189, 190, 192, 193, and 194, respectively);

H. R. 236, to permit naturalization proceedings to be in places other than the office of the clerk and in court (S. Rept. 188); and

H. R. 3029, relative to construction of courthouse for the U. S. Court of Appeals and District Court of the U. S. for D. C. (S. Rept. 191).

Pages 5493-5494

Science Foundation: Senate passed by 79 yeas to 8 nays S. 526, creating a National Science Foundation, after acting on following amendments:

Defeated by 23 yeas to 52 nays, Senator Kilgore's amendment to have the Foundation headed by an Administrator; adopted by voice vote Senator O'Mahoney's amendment relating to patents; Senator Magnuson's amendment, creating a Director to execute the policies of the Foundation, was adopted 42 yeas to 41 nays, after it had been defeated by division vote and after a mo-

tion to reconsider the division vote had carried 40 yeas to 39 nays; and defeated Senator Fulbright's amendment, to establish a Division of Social Sciences, by 23 yeas to 63 nays.

Pages 5494, 5498-5515

Tax Bill: H. R. 1, reduction of personal income taxes, was made the unfinished business.

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Reports on Committee Meetings

INTERIOR APPROPRIATION

Committee on Appropriations: Continued hearings on H. R. 3123, Interior Department appropriation bill, and heard testimony from Reclamation Commissioner Michael W. Straus; Assistant Commissioners William E. Warne and Kenneth Markwell; Lee Martin and Roy Cochran, Bureau of the Budget; and John Langmuir.

DEFENSE ESTABLISHMENT—SURGEON GENERAL

Committee on Armed Services: In executive session the committee discussed S. 758, to create a National Defense Establishment; study continues tomorrow.

Sundry Army and Navy nominations were approved, including that of Brig. Gen. Raymond Whitcomb Bliss, to be Surgeon General with the rank of major general, and Col. George Ellis Armstrong, to be Assistant to the Surgeon General.

HOUSING, MONETARY FUND, AND RFC

Committee on Banking and Currency: In executive session, S. 1230, to extend provisions of the National Housing Act to January 31, 1948, instead of June 30, 1947, was approved without amendment.

The nomination of Andrew N. Overby of New York, to be Executive Director of the International Monetary Fund, for a 2-year term, was favorably reported.

A subcommittee, consisting of Senators Tobey, Capehart, Flanders, McCarthy, Maybank, Taylor, and Fulbright was appointed to study RFC matters. Full committee meets tomorrow in executive session.

JUDICIAL BILLS

Committee on the District of Columbia: Subcommittee held hearings on S. 8, to provide for incorporation of certain D. C. business corporations; S. 771, to provide service of process on individuals; S. 1265, to amend D. C. Code on liability of causing death by wrongful act; and S. 1266, relating to admissibility of certain testimony. Austin Canfield, president of the D. C. Bar Association, representatives of the Corporation Counsel's Office, and other interested persons testified favorably. The subcommittee approved S. 771 and S. 1266 for reporting to the full committee at its next meeting.

INFORMATION AND BUSINESS ASSISTANCE

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Committee heard the following witnesses testify in support of S. 493, Technical Information and Services

Act: Dr. W. V. Lambert, Agricultural Research Administrator, Department of Agriculture; Raymond V. Long, Director, Virginia Planning Board; Prof. Gregory J. Comstock, Stevens Institute of Technology; and H. A. Kuhn, chemical consultant, Washington, D. C. Mr. Lambert felt the legislation would eliminate conflict between departments; Mr. Long stated that it would give aid to small business; Mr. Comstock favored the measure as an aid to "amplify previously conducted research instituted as a war-production project"; and Mr. Kuhn held that the bill would provide for a central agency to collect and disseminate to industry and business data on inventions, technological research, and development, but that the market research studies should be deleted from the bill and made a separate subject.

NOMINATIONS, ST. LAWRENCE WATERWAY, AND OIL AGREEMENTS

Committee on Foreign Relations: The nomination of Robert A. Lovett, to be Under Secretary of State, and sundry other appointments in the Diplomatic and Foreign Service were favorably reported.

Hearings on the St. Lawrence Waterway proposal (S. J. Res. 111) will open before a subcommittee on May 28.

Full committee on June 2 and 3 will consider Anglo-American oil agreement (Executive H of 79th Cong.).

INTERNATIONAL AIR CARRIERS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee on Aviation heard A. B. Barber, U. S. Chamber of Commerce, oppose, and George R. Nelson, International Association of Machinists, favor, S. 987, to consolidate American Flag International Airlines. Hearings continue tomorrow.

SOLICITOR GENERAL

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee heard A. Francis Ritota, Baltimore Park Heights Civic Association, and Aimee Weber, Baltimore, oppose the nomination of Philip B. Perlman, to be Solicitor General of the U. S. Also testifying were Douglas McGregor, Assistant to the Attorney General, and Philip B. Perlman.

STRATEGIC MATERIALS

Committee on Public Lands: Natural Resources Economic Subcommittee continued study of strategic minerals and heard the following witnesses discuss shortages and needs of the U. S. in strategic materials: James Boyd and Tom Miller, Bureau of Mines; Wilmot H. Bradley and Dr. F. W. Lee, Geological Survey. The discussion emphasized needs of funds by these Government agencies and good prices for the strategic materials. Hearings continue tomorrow.

RECLAMATION PROJECTS

Committee on Public Lands: Paul H. Johnstone, Bureau of Reclamation, continued his opposition, also with op-

position testimony by Ralph S. Bristol and Wesley R. Nelson, both of the Bureau of Reclamation, on S. 912, to exempt certain lands in Colorado, California, and Texas from land-limitation provisions of Federal reclamation laws before the Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation. Hearings continue tomorrow.

PUBLIC WORKS BILLS

Committee on Public Works: In executive session the following bills were approved: S. 482, to permit delivery of water from the District to the metropolitan area in Virginia; H. R. 1874, to provide that funds apportioned to States under Federal Aid Highway Act of 1944 shall remain available for 2 years after authorized instead of 1; and H. R. 3029, relative to construction of courthouse for the U. S. Court of Appeals and District Court of the U. S. for the District of Columbia.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Twenty-two public bills, H. R. 3527-3548; five private bills, 3549-3553; and one resolution, H. J. Res. 204, were introduced. Pages 5559-5560

Bills Reported: Bills and resolutions were reported as follows:

Conference report on H. J. Res. 153, relief bill for war-devastated countries (H. Rept. 395);

H. R. 3308, increasing minimum allowance payable for rehabilitation in service-connected cases (H. Rept. 396);

H. R. 3516, increasing pension rates payable to veterans and dependents of the Spanish-American and Civil Wars (H. Rept. 397);

H. R. 1260, amending Canal Zone Code of 1934, relative to recomputation of annuity payments (H. Rept. 398);

H. R. 1274, extending the reclamation laws to the State of Arkansas (H. Rept. 399);

H. R. 2947, authorizing an adequate White House Police force (H. Rept. 400);

H. R. 3151, granting land and water rights in Clark County to the city of Las Vegas, Nev. (H. Rept. 401);

H. R. 3197, increasing construction cost and extending repayment period to the United States by the Mancos water conservation district by authority of the Secretary of the Interior (H. Rept. 402);

MARYLAND CONTESTED ELECTION

Committee on Rules and Administration: Subcommittee on Privileges and Elections in executive session began examination of the remaining 6,600 protested ballots in the five counties investigated to date in the Maryland senatorial election contest. Hearings continue tomorrow.

SMALL BUSINESS—STEEL

Special Committee to Study Problems of American Small Business: Steel Subcommittee continued study of effect of steel shortages on smaller manufacturers and users and heard George C. Foerstner, manager of Refrigeration Division of Amana Society, Iowa, tell of difficulty his society is having in securing steel for operation of his industry. Committee continues tomorrow.

H. R. 3235, amending the D. C. Code with respect to abandonment of condemnation proceedings (H. Rept. 403);

H. R. 3348, declaring Government policy with respect to construction-cost allocations of the Coachella Division All-American irrigation project, California (H. Rept. 404);

H. R. 1893, authorizing roadbed sale, E Street SW., between Twelfth and Thirteenth Streets, District of Columbia (H. Rept. 405);

H. R. 3350, amending navigation rules applied to inland waterways and western rivers to provide greater safety and prevent conflict with Gulf Intracoastal Waterway rules (H. Rept. 406); and

H. R. 325, transferring Blair County, Pa., from middle judicial to western judicial district of Pennsylvania (H. Rept. 407). Pages 5523, 5559

Presidential Signature: Agreed to Senate amendments to the following bills, thus clearing the measures for the President's signature:

H. R. 2123, amending the Locomotive Inspection Act of 1911.

H. R. 193, amending the Mineral Leasing Act of 1920.

H. R. 1584, authorizing erection of a shop and museum on Fort Hall Reservation, Idaho. Pages 5535, 5537

Private Calendar: Considered private claims bills on the Private Calendar and took the following action:

Passed without amendment: H. R. 436, 2915, 888, 989, 1513, 1523, and 261.

Passed with amendment: H. R. 1585, 408, 651, 836, 893, 984, 1408, and 1586.

Passed over without prejudice: H. R. 354, 559, 1742, and 1152.

Objected to and recommitted: H. R. 2631 and 905.

Pages 5537-5540

Deficiency Appropriation: House disagreed with Senate amendments to H. R. 3245, second deficiency appropriations for 1947, agreed to conference, and Representatives Taber, Wigglesworth, Engel, Stefan, Case of South Dakota, Keefe, Cannon, Kerr, and Mahon were appointed conferees on the part of the House.

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Order of Business: On motion of Mr. Halleck, by unanimous consent, the House agreed to dispense with Calendar Wednesday business of Wednesday, May 21.

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Veto Message: Considered unfinished business on H. R. 2199, authorizing the Secretary of the Interior to issue a patent in fee to Henry Big Day to certain land on the Crow Indian Reservation, which was returned without approval of the President, and referred it to the Committee on Public Lands.

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Navy Department Appropriation: Started and completed consideration of a major appropriation bill, H. R. 3493, the Navy Department Appropriation Act, 1948, devoting 2 hours to general debate and the remainder of the day to consideration for amendments.

Adopted only one amendment, offered by Representative McCormack, which placed definite limitations on the use of funds provided in the bill relative to any work time-studies of Government employees, and elimination of certain bonus-pay incentives.

The measure was passed by a voice vote and sent to the Senate.

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Reports on Committee Meetings

FUR

Committee on Agriculture: Murray Subcommittee held hearings on the general subject of fur and heard Jerome M. Hirsch, attorney, New York, N. Y.; Samuel Reckler, manufacturer of fur garments, New York; Albert Fuchs, president, Al Fuchs' Co., New York, N. Y.; Aaron Shoen, New Rochelle, N. Y.; Al J. Feldman, New York, N. Y.; Isadore Bergner, New York, N. Y.; George Addlestine, American Fur & Merchant Association, New York, N. Y.; and Bernard Adnepos, actuary, American Rabbit Dealers Association, N. Y. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

MILITARY

Committee on Armed Services: Retirement Subcommittee continued hearings on H. R. 2744, Army Vitalization and Retirement Equalization Act of 1946.

Legal Subcommittee held hearings on H. R. 3191, to extend the Missing Persons Act to certain members of the Government of the Commonwealth of the Philippines, and heard Major General Lindsey and Colonel Pench. Subcommittee ordered the bill favorably reported to the full committee.

RECONSTRUCTION FINANCE CORPORATION

Committee on Banking and Currency: Continued hearings on continuation of RFC and heard further testimony of John D. Goodloe, Chairman, Reconstruction Finance Corporation. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Committee on the District of Columbia: Judiciary Subcommittee held hearings on H. R. 494, creating a Board of Parole for the District of Columbia; and H. R. 497, to transfer the probation system for the District of Columbia to the probation system for the U. S. Courts, and heard Hon. Vernon E. West, corporation counsel; Hon. Bolitha J. Laws, chief justice, District Court of the United States for the District of Columbia; Hon. George P. Barse, chief judge, The Municipal Court for the District of Columbia; Hon. George M. Fay, U. S. attorney, District of Columbia; and Col. Campbell C. Johnson, chairman, D. C. Parole Board, all of whom testified in favor of the bills.

FEDERAL AID TO EDUCATION

Committee on Education and Labor: Subcommittee on Education continued hearings on various bills pertaining to Federal aid to education, and heard Dr. Frederick Fowler, National Association of Evangelicals, Washington, D. C., who testified in opposition to all Federal aid-to-education bills as now written; and Mrs. Margaret Hopkins Worrell, "The Wheel of Progress" and the Ladies of G. A. R., who testified in opposition to Federal aid to education. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

INFORMATION AND EDUCATIONAL EXCHANGE ACT OF 1947

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Special subcommittee held hearings on H. R. 3342, U. S. Information and Educational Exchange Act of 1947, and heard Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower, Army Chief of Staff, who testified in favor of the bill. Subcommittee unanimously ordered the bill favorably reported to the full committee.

NATURAL GAS—RAILROAD REORGANIZATION

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Hearing originally scheduled for today on railroad retirement was indefinitely postponed. Committee met in executive session with professional staff to discuss H. R. 2956, Natural Gas Act, and H. R. 2298, railroad reorganization.

FISH

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Held executive session of full committee and ordered favorably reported to the House the following bills: H. R. 210, H. R. 214, H. R. 215, and H. R. 216, establishing fish hatcheries; H. R. 2721, amending Act of March 10, 1934, to promote conservation of wildlife, fish and game; H. R. 3333, authorizing transfer of *Joseph Conrad* to Marine Historical Association of Mystic, Conn.; and H. R. 3350, relating to rules for prevention of collisions on inland waters.

Subcommittee on Salt-Water Fish and Shellfish Problems met in executive session.

POSTAL RATES—CIVIL SERVICE

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Met in executive session and ordered favorably reported to the House the following bills: H. R. 3519, to provide for permanent postal rates; H. R. 2857, to extend second-class mailing privileges to bulletins issued by State conservation and fish and game agencies or departments; H. R. 1045, to amend the act entitled "An act to provide for a permanent Census Office"; and H. R. 3511, to extend the provisions of section 1 (c) of the Civil Service Retirement Act of May 29, 1930, as amended, until June 30, 1948.

PUBLIC LANDS

Committee on Public Lands: Held open session of full committee to consider various bills and ordered the following favorably reported to the House: H. R. 1274, to extend reclamation laws to the State of Arkansas; H. R. 2167, Angostura water conservation project, South Dakota; H. R. 3151, to grant parcel of land to city of Las Vegas, Nev.; H. R. 3197, authorizing Mancos water conservancy district cost obligation; and H. R. 3348, declaration re allocation of cost Coachella Division of All-American Canal, Calif.

Subcommittee on Territorial and Insular Affairs held executive session and ordered H. R. 3309, to amend the organic act of Puerto Rico, reported favorably to the full committee.

Subcommittee on Public Lands continued hearings on various bills pertaining to California land matters, and heard a delegation of witnesses from California.

HOUSING

Committee on Public Works: Subcommittee on Public Buildings and Grounds held hearings on H. R. 2682, temporary veterans' housing; H. R. 2682, H. R. 2879, H. R. 2930, and H. R. 3258, also housing bills, and heard William K. Divers, First Assistant Administrator, National Housing Agency; and Dillon Myer, Commissioner, Federal Public Housing Authority, and the sponsors of the various bills. Subcommittee ordered all the bills unfavorably reported to the full committee.

TAX REVISION

Committee on Ways and Means: Continued hearings on general tax revision and heard further testimony from Hon. John W. Snyder, Secretary of the Treasury. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

Committee also held executive session on pending legislation.

PAPER

Select Committee on Newsprint and Paper Supply: Met and received testimony of representatives of four New York publishing houses. The witnesses were Francis McIntee, Consolidated Color Press, New York, N. Y.; Angelo Valenti, Mars Printing Co., New York, N. Y.; W. M. Hurlbut, International Paper Sales Co., Inc., New York, N. Y.; and Joseph D. Sullivan, vice president, Bowater Paper Co., New York, N. Y. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

REPORT ON JOINT COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Conferees on H. R. 2700, Labor-Federal Security Appropriations, held a meeting but were unable to reach agreement. No further meeting was announced.

Conferees on H. R. 3020, labor bill, have reached section 8 (a), which deals with unfair labor practices by an employer. Some agreement was reached on the definition of the various types of strikes and the term "supervisor" with "guards, time-study men, and way bosses" being reserved for future study. Tentative agreement was reached that the National Labor Relations Board should be composed of seven members and that the Senate approach would be followed in the case of separating judicial and prosecutive functions. The regional directors of the Board would be appointed by the President and confirmed by the Senate, as would the General Counsel and Director of Field Division.

Senator Taft announced morning and afternoon sessions beginning tomorrow, and that by Thursday it is hoped that sufficient progress will have been made to warrant reprinting the entire bill for further consideration of conferees.

Wednesday, May 21, 1947

HIGHLIGHTS

\$350,000,000 war-relief bill cleared for President; conferees agreed on second deficiency appropriations.

Senate opened debate on tax-reduction bill; House provided rule for general debate on wool-support bill and reported three measures amending Home Owners' Loan Act of 1933 and Federal Home Loan Bank Act.

Bill on Information and Educational exchange with foreign countries ordered reported to House and Subcommittees on Social Security and Reciprocal Trade Agreements announced.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 5562-5565.

Bills Introduced: Six bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 1323-S. 1328, and S. J. Res. 117. Pages 5562-5563

Bill Reported: A bill and a report were reported as follows:

S. 1230, to extend provisions of the National Housing Act to January 31, 1948, instead of June 30, 1947 (S. Rept. 195); and

Report from Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments on the Comptroller General's audit report of the Federal Crop Insurance Corporation (S. Rept. 196). Page 5562

Bills Referred: The following House-passed bills were referred to the committees indicated: H. R. 261, 408, 436, 651, 836, 888, 893, 984, 989, 1408, 1513, 1523, 1585, 1586, and 2915 (Committee on the Judiciary); and H. R. 3493 (Committee on Appropriations). (For passage in House, see Digest, pp. D190-191.) Page 5563

Tax Bill: Debate was opened on H. R. 1, reduction of personal income taxes. Senator George entered a motion to postpone further consideration until June 10. Pages 5565-5608

War Relief: Conference Report on H. J. Res. 153, providing \$350,000,000 for the relief of people of countries devastated by war, was adopted by voice vote and cleared for President's signature. Pages 5602-5604

Confirmations: Nominations of Brig. Gen. Raymond W. Bliss, to be Surgeon General with the rank of Major General; and Col. George E. Armstrong, to be Assistant to the Surgeon General with the rank of Brig. General; placing of Vice Admiral Alexander Sharp on the retired list, were confirmed, together with 781 appoint-

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ments in the Army, 716 in the Navy, and 24 in the Marine Corps. Pages 5609-5613

Nominations: The following nominations were received: Edmond M. Hanrahan, to be a member of SEC; Roy C. Wakefield, to be a member of FCC; and James W. Lauderdale, to be a member of the D. C. Public Utilities Commission. Page 5609

Reports on Committee Meetings

LAND BANKS—AGRICULTURAL SCHOOL

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Committee in executive session received a favorable report on S. 925, to transfer the Land Bank Commissioner Loan Service to the Federal Land Bank System, from the subcommittee studying it.

Under Secretary of Agriculture N. E. Dodd discussed the operation of the graduate school of the Department of Agriculture in connection with the committee's study of S. 524, to accept contributions from foreign countries for expenses of foreign students in graduate school. Committee meets next on May 26 on fertilizer program.

INTERIOR APPROPRIATION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee continued hearings on H. R. 3123, Interior Department Appropriation Bill, and took testimony from the following witnesses: Senator Watkins; Representative Dawson of Utah; Reclamation Commissioner Michael W. Straus, and Assistant Commissioner Kenneth Markwell.

NATIONAL DEFENSE ESTABLISHMENT

Committee on Armed Services: In executive session, S. 758, to create a National Defense Establishment, was discussed with particular reference to section 102, relative to the powers of the Secretary of National Defense. No decision was reached. Committee continues tomorrow.

RFC

Committee on Banking and Currency: Full committee met in executive session to discuss problems surrounding the proposed extension of the RFC. Subcommittee meets on this subject tomorrow.

GOVERNMENT CAFETERIAS

Committee on Civil Service: Subcommittee continued investigation of cafeterias in Federal buildings, hearing testimony from the following witnesses on various contracts for operation of cafeterias and related problems: Milton A. Barlow, Hot Shoppes; Richard C. Dyas and J. L. Dougherty, RFC; Orlando L. Kiser, Capt. Paul B. Morgan, and J. I. Finnegan, War Department; Richard Daley and George R. Riley, National Food Corp.; and John W. Wood, GAO. Subcommittee meets next on Friday.

FISCAL AFFAIRS

Committee on the District of Columbia: Fiscal Affairs Subcommittee held hearings on S. 834, 835, 845, 1166, and 1125, all relating to the exemption of certain property from D. C. taxes. Officials of the District Government testified, together with interested civic representatives.

INFORMATION FOR BUSINESS ASSISTANCE

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Committee met on S. 493, Technical Information and Services Act, and heard Maj. Gen. Henry S. Aurand, War Department General Staff, favor; R. S. Pasley, Navy Department, support general principles but express no concern with means of accomplishment; and Jesse E. Hobson, Director of the Armour Research Foundation of Illinois Institute of Technology, oppose the bill. Hearings continue tomorrow.

RAIL REORGANIZATION

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee on S. 249, railroad reorganization bill, heard Aaron Colnon, of the Rock Island Railroad, testify favorably. Subcommittee meets again Friday, May 23.

INTERNATIONAL AIR CARRIERS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Juan T. Trippe, president of Pan-American Airways, Inc., testified before the Subcommittee on Aviation in behalf of the principles contained in S. 987, to consolidate American Flag International Airlines. Hearings continue tomorrow.

EXPORT CONTROL

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee heard W. D. Parlour, Southern Lumber Exporters Association, Inc., and Carl H. Wilken, commissioner of agriculture from Minnesota, oppose any continuation of export controls. Joseph T. King, National Retail Lumber

Dealers Association, stated that he was definitely opposed to either the lifting or relaxation of export controls on building materials. Subcommittee meets next on Friday on nominations.

HEALTH LEGISLATION

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee on Health heard Drs. E. J. McCormick and Ross L. Sensenick, both of the AMA, testify in favor of S. 545, to create an independent National Health Agency. Hearings continue tomorrow.

NATURAL RESOURCES

Committee on Public Lands: Natural Resources Economic Subcommittee continued study of strategic materials with Under Secretary of War Kenneth C. Royall, Assistant Secretary of Navy W. John Kenney, and Carl Rolle, ANMB, discussing U. S. position in strategic materials. Mr. Royall said that stock-pile material, with few exceptions, should come from foreign and domestic sources to avoid depletion of domestic mineral resources, but that the present stock-piling program should remain a national defense stock-piling program and nothing else. Hearings continue tomorrow.

RECLAMATION PROJECTS

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation continued study of S. 912, to exempt certain lands in Colorado, California, and Texas from land-limitation provisions of Federal reclamation laws, and heard Secretary of Interior Krug, and R. L. Boke, Bureau of Reclamation, in opposition, and Boyd Stewart, State department of agriculture, Olema, Calif., in support of the bill. Hearings continue Wednesday, May 28.

MARYLAND CONTESTED ELECTION

Committee on Rules and Administration: In executive session the committee approved S. Res. 114, to provide \$85,000 additional fund for the Subcommittee on Privileges and Elections to conduct its investigations.

In afternoon session the Subcommittee on Privileges and Elections continued its investigation in the Maryland senatorial election contest.

SMALL BUSINESS—STEEL

Special Committee to Study Problems of American Small Business: Steel Subcommittee continued study of the effects of steel shortages on smaller manufacturers and users, and heard Frank Creedon, Housing Expediter, tell how the steel industry is meeting its commitments to furnish steel for the housing program, since the waiving of priorities and allocations on March 31; H. J. Kurtz, St. Louis Boiler & Equipment Co., discuss his sale of steel; and Joseph Hannon and M. W. Ziegler, Krieger Steel Sections, Inc., Long Island City, N. Y., relate of their activity in distribution of steel production. Hearings continue tomorrow.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Eighteen public bills, H. R. 3554-3571; six private bills, H. R. 3572-3577; and seven resolutions, H. Res. 214 and 215; H. J. Res. 205-207; and H. Con. Res. 49 and 50 were introduced.

Pages 5615, 5633-5634

Bills Reported: Bills and resolutions were reported as follows:

H. R. 1436, repealing prohibition against filling vacancy of district judgeship in southern district of New York (H. Rept. 408);

H. Res. 214, providing for consideration of S. 814, wool-support bill (H. Rept. 409);

H. R. 3519, providing for permanent postal rates (H. Rept. 410);

H. R. 2798, amending Home Owners Loan Act of 1933, regarding State conversion of Federal Savings and Loan Associations (H. Rept. 411);

H. R. 2800, amending Home Owners Loan Act of 1933, liberalizing provisions of loans made by Federal Savings and Loan Associations (H. Rept. 412);

H. R. 2799, amending Federal Home Loan Bank and National Housing Act relative to certain capital-stock retirements (H. Rept. 413); and

H. R. 3492, providing for expeditious disposal of war housing (H. Rept. 414).

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Public Information: Committee on Foreign Affairs was given until midnight, Wednesday, May 21, to file a report on H. R. 3342, Federal information and educational exchange program with foreign countries, which when filed, will be House Report No. 416.

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Wildlife Conservation: H. R. 2472, providing cooperation and assistance to Federal and State agencies in promoting wildlife conservation through sound land-use practices, was re-referred from the Committee on Agriculture to the Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries.

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War Relief: Called up conference report on H. J. Res. 153, relief bill for war-devastated countries, and after 1 hour's consideration, rejected a motion by Representative Jonkman to recommit to conference, with instructions, by a vote of 170 yeas to 205 nays, and adopted the conference report by 288 yeas to 86 nays.

Pages 5618-5627

Deficiency Appropriations: Conferees on H. R. 3245, second deficiency appropriations for 1947, were given until midnight Wednesday, May 21, to file a report on the bill, which, when filed, will be House Report No. 415.

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Reports on Committee Meetings

FUR

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee on Fur continued hearings and heard Joseph H. Francis, executive secretary, National Board of Fur Farm Organizations; H. F. Jessen, Phelps, Wis.; Milton H. Button, Director of Wisconsin Department of Agriculture; Col. Wm. E. Carpenter, Chief, Legislative Services, War Department, who appeared concerning complaint of low-flying Air Corps planes over fur farms; Harvey Schroeder, of Schroeder Bros. Minkery; Adrian W. Dewind, Assistant Tax Legislative Counsel, Treasury Department; Roy Harmon, president, National Board of Fur Farm Organizations, Christiansburg, Va.; and Charles Gold, chief counsel, Retail Manufacture Furriers of America, Inc.

MILITARY

Committee on Armed Services: Retirement Subcommittee continued hearings on H. R. 2744, Army Vitalization and Retirement bill, and heard Maj. Gen. Willard S. Paul, USA; Maj. Gen. Partridge, Army Air Forces; and Gen. Milton A. Reckord, National Guard Association, all of whom testified in support of the measure. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

Personnel Subcommittee continued hearings on H. R. 2536, Army promotion bill, and heard Brig. Gen. John Dahlquist, USA, who testified in support of the bill. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

RECONSTRUCTION FINANCE CORPORATION

Committee on Banking and Currency: Continued hearings on continuation of RFC and heard further testimony of John D. Goodloe, Chairman, Reconstruction Finance Corporation. Mr. Goodloe reviewed the basic purposes and policies of the RFC. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

FEDERAL AID TO EDUCATION

Committee on Education and Labor: Subcommittee on Education continued hearings on various bills pertaining to Federal aid to education, and heard W. R. Ogg, American Farm Bureau; and Chat Patterson, American Veterans Committee, both of whom testified in favor of the legislation; and George W. Williams, president, Maryland Society, War of 1812, who testified in opposition to the bills. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

REORGANIZATION

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Held hearings on the President's Reorganization Plans No. 1 and No. 2, and heard Hon. James E. Webb,

Director, Bureau of the Budget; and J. Frederick Lawton, Acting Assistant Director, Bureau of the Budget, both of whom testified in favor of the legislation. There is no opposition by the committee to Plan No. 1 (H. Doc. No. 230), but there is objection to Plan No. 2 (H. Doc. No. 231) in the proposed transfer of the U. S. Employment Service to the Department of Labor. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

INFORMATION AND EDUCATIONAL EXCHANGE ACT OF 1947

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Met in executive session and ordered favorably reported, without amendment, H. R. 3342, U. S. Information and Educational Exchange Act of 1947. Committee also considered S. J. Res. 77, International Refugee Organization.

RAILROAD REORGANIZATION

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Held executive session on H. R. 2298, railroad reorganization.

JUDICIAL

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Patents, Trade-Marks, and Copyrights held hearings on H. R. 2860, to provide protection for designs for textile fabrics, and heard Representative Hartley, author of the bill; Karl Fenning, patent attorney, Washington, D. C.; P. J. Federico, law examiner, Patent Office; Sam B. Warner, Register of Copyrights, Library of Congress; Syloan Gotschal, representing Textile Distributors Institute, Inc., New York City; and James J. Farriss, representative of Burlington Mills, Inc., Greensboro, N. C. Statements for the record were filed by several other interested persons.

Subcommittee on Claims considered 11 private claims bills and agreed to report 7 favorably and 4 adversely to the full committee.

Subcommittee on Immigration and Naturalization held executive session and ordered favorably reported to the full committee the following bills: H. R. 3149 (amended) relating to the admission to the U. S. of alien spouses and alien minor children of citizen members of the U. S. armed forces; H. R. 3398, extending period for admission to the U. S. of alien fiancées or fiancés of members of the armed forces; H. R. 3149, a private bill; and H. R. 3305, to permit naturalization of Japanese parents residing in the U. S. whose sons died while serving in the armed forces of the U. S. during World War II.

WILDLIFE—SEAMEN'S BILL OF RIGHTS

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Subcommittee on Conservation and Wildlife Resources held hearings on H. R. 3043, to provide for the transfer of certain lands to the Secretary of the Interior, and heard West Gentry, Cartersville, Ill.; Clark Venable, Amateur Field Trial Clubs, Potomac Beach, Va.; George Hankin, attorney, Washington, D. C.; Albert M. Day,

Director, Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior Department; and Dr. Ira N. Gabrielson, Wildlife Management Institute, Washington, D. C.

Subcommittee on Ship Construction and Operation and Maritime Labor continued hearings on H. R. 476, providing certain benefits for wartime merchant seamen, and heard Seth Levine, CIO; Dr. Justin K. Fuller, Chief Medical Officer, Maritime Commission; James V. McCandles, Assistant to Commissioner, Maritime Commission; Otis L. Anderson, Medical Director, Chief, Hospital Division, U. S. Public Health Service; R. T. Hallinger, Chief, Regulations and Procedure Section, Hospital Division, U. S. P. H. S.; Rear Adm. Telfair Knight, Commandant, U. S. Merchant Marine Cadet Corps; and George R. Phillips, Office of the Secretary, Department of Agriculture. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

RETIREMENT

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Met in executive session to discuss H. R. 3232 and related retirement bills with Warren Irons, Chief of Retirement Division of the Civil Service Commission. Maurice Brown and J. A. Talbot from the Commission accompanied Mr. Irons.

PUBLIC LANDS

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Public Lands held hearings on H. R. 83, H. R. 728, and H. R. 1833, pertaining to lands in Mono County, Calif., and heard Walter Evans, district attorney, Mono County, Calif., who testified in behalf of H. R. 728.

RURAL POST ROADS

Committee on Public Works: Subcommittee on Roads concluded hearings on H. R. 2838, Federal aid to States in the construction of rural post roads, and heard Thos. H. MacDonald, Commissioner of Public Roads; Maj. Gen. Philip B. Fleming, Federal Works Administrator; and Charles A. Upham, representing American Road Builders Association, all of whom testified in favor of the bills.

RULES

Committee on Rules: The committee heard Representative Hope, chairman of the Committee on Agriculture, favoring a rule for consideration of S. 814, providing support for wool prices. A rule providing for 3 hours' general debate was ordered reported by the committee. Hearings were continued on H. R. 2455, a bill establishing within the Department of the Interior a National Minerals Resources Division. Representative Russell appeared in favor of the bill. Hearings will be continued Friday at 10:30.

VETERANS

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Met in executive session and ordered favorably reported H. R. 3060, which

extends for 1 year certain provisions of the Servicemen's Readjustment Act of 1944 relating to the authority of the Administrator of Veterans' Affairs to enter into leases for periods not exceeding 5 years.

TAX REVISION

Committee on Ways and Means: Continued hearings on general tax revision and heard Harold V. Bozell, chairman, tax committee, Independent Telephone Association, Washington, D. C.; Harry C. Gretz, assistant comptroller, American Telephone & Telegraph, Washington, D. C.; and H. L. Seidman, chairman, tax committee, New York Board of Trade, all of whom recommended revision of the excise taxes as applied to communications. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

The following subcommittees were appointed: Subcommittee on Reciprocal Trade Agreements, to make a case study: Representatives Gearhart, chairman, Simpson, Curtis, Doughton, and Cooper. Subcommittee on

Social Security, to consider urgent legislation: Representatives Reed, chairman, Kean, Mason, Dingell, and Mills.

REPORT ON JOINT COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Conferees on H. R. 3020, labor bill, discussed union shop provisions and nearly finished the section on unfair labor practices of an employer. Senator Taft stressed that all matters were still in the discussion stage and that no votes or final agreements have been reached.

Conferees on H. R. 3245, Second Deficiency Appropriation Bill, agreed on a total of \$117,438,858 and filed a report (H. Rept. 415). As passed by the House the bill proposed an appropriation of \$95,478,658 and was approved by the Senate for \$135,418,858.

Fiscal Subcommittees of the House and Senate District of Columbia Committees: In executive session considered proposals to increase pay for D. C. school teachers.

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HIGHLIGHTS

Veterans' housing and second deficiency appropriation bills cleared for President's signature.

Senate agreed to vote on delay of tax-reduction consideration and passed 32 bills on Call of the Calendar; House concluded all general debate on the wool-support bill.

Bills on National Aviation Council and veterans' preference ordered reported to House.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 5634-5636, 5647-5650.

Bills Introduced: Four bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1329-S. 1332; and S. J. Res. 118 and 119. Pages 5635, 5647

Bill Reported: A bill was reported, as follows: S. 482, to permit delivery of water from District of Columbia to the metropolitan area in Virginia (S. Rept. 197). Page 5635

Tax Bill: Senate continued debate on H. R. 1, reduction of personal income taxes, and by unanimous consent agreed to vote at 4 p. m., May 26, on Senator George's motion to postpone further consideration of the bill until June 10. Pages 5636-5645, 5653-5654

Science Foundation: Senator Smith withdrew a motion entered May 21, to reconsider the vote by which S. 526, National Science Foundation bill, was passed, thus sending the bill to the House. Page 5635

Housing: Agreed to House amendments and cleared for the President's signature S. 854, to authorize \$35,000,000 for unfinished housing units for servicemen. Page 5630

Fistols: H. R. 493, relating to the carrying of pistols in the District of Columbia, was briefly debated. 5651-5653

Second Deficiency: Agreed to Conference Report on H. R. 3245, second deficiency appropriation bill, thus clearing the bill for the President's signature. Page 5645

Bills Passed: Senate passed the following 32 bills on the Call of the Calendar:

Police: S. 1022, to authorize adequate White House Police force;

Virgin Islands: S. 512, to extend the Farm Tenant Act to the Virgin Islands;

Forests: S. 597, to provide for protection of forests against insects;

Claims: S. 1073, to extend until June 30, 1949, the period during which persons may serve in certain executive departments without being prohibited from prosecuting claims against the United States;

Philippines: S. 1020, to amend the Philippine Rehabilitation Act to authorize the appropriation of \$400 million for paying certain annual leave time;

Cemeteries: S. 272, to utilize surplus War Department real property as national cemeteries;

School: S. 805, authorizing an appropriation for construction of school in Utah;

Easement: H. R. 1844, authorizing the Veterans' Administrator to grant certain easements;

Veterans: S. J. Res. 115, to authorize the Veterans' Administrator to continue offices in the Philippines;

Veterans: S. 1135, to extend provisions of Servicemen's Readjustment Act, relating to leases;

Booker T. Washington: S. J. Res. 92, designating annual observance of Booker T. Washington Day;

Leif Erikson: S. J. Res. 64, authorizing proclamation of 9th of October as Leif Erikson Day;

Constitution Day: S. J. Res. 78, designating September 17 of each year as Constitution Day;

Homesteads: H. R. 603, to extend service credits to members of the merchant marine during World War II for homestead-entry purposes;

Right-of-Way: H. R. 1288, authorizing granting of a right-of-way to a private citizen;

Naturalization: H. R. 236, to permit naturalization proceedings to be held at places other than the office of the clerk of the court;

Courthouse: H. R. 3029, to provide for the preparation of plans for a courthouse for D. C. (the bill as passed carries the language of S. 450 as reported);

Housing: S. 1230, to extend provisions of the National Housing Act to January 31, 1948;

Private Claims Bills: S. 470, 561, H. R. 384, 2094, S. 824, 116, 514, 882, 50, H. R. 428, 444, S. 315, 317, and H. R. 1494.

The following eight bills mentioned above, previously passed by the House were approved by the Senate without amendment and cleared for the President's signature: H. R. 384, 2094, 1844, 603, 428, 444, 236, and 1494. Pages 5654-5662

Election Investigations: On May 21, S. Res. 114, to provide \$85,000 additional fund for the Subcommittee on Privileges and Elections to conduct its investigations, was passed. Page 5562

Reports on Committee Meetings

INTERIOR APPROPRIATION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on H. R. 3123, Interior Department appropriation bill, continued hearings and heard Senator Taylor; California Repre-

sentatives Johnson, Miller, and Gearhart; James B. Black, president, Pacific Gas & Electric Co.; E. W. Rising, on Idaho projects; Reclamation Commissioner Michael W. Straus; and Assistant Commissioner William E. Warne.

NATIONAL DEFENSE ESTABLISHMENT

Committee on Armed Services: Committee in executive session on S. 758, to create a National Defense Establishment, agreed to substitute the word "security" for "defense" making it a National Security Establishment and substituting the word "security" for "defense" wherever else used in the bill. Committee continues tomorrow.

RFC EXTENSION

Committee on Banking and Currency: Subcommittee heard Russell Snodgrass, vice president of B. & O.; Cassius Clay, former official of RFC and the B. & O.; Arthur Dean, New York attorney for B. & O.; and J. Hamilton Cheston, vice president of the Philadelphia Savings Fund Society, discussed the \$80 million loan to the B. & O. in connection with the proposed extension of the RFC. Hearings continue tomorrow.

INFORMATION FOR BUSINESS ASSISTANCE

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Committee heard testimony from C. Tyler Wood, Department of State; Dean E. B. Norris, Virginia Polytechnic Institute; and Howard E. Blood, Borg-Warner Corp., appearing in behalf of the NAM, on S. 493, Technical Information and Services Act. Mr. Wood said the State Department supports provisions of S. 493 which constitute authorization for the Department of Commerce to continue its program on digesting and distributing information on the "know-how" acquired from Germany under the so-called London Patent Accord. Dean Norris said the bill would make the Department of Commerce a vital, constructive agency in assembling and disseminating information on the problems of American industry. Mr. Blood opposed S. 493. Hearings continue tomorrow.

INTERNATIONAL AIR CARRIERS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Juan T. Trippe, president of Pan-American Airways, Inc., continued his testimony before the Subcommittee on Aviation in behalf of the principles contained in S. 987, to consolidate American Flag International Airlines. Hearings continue tomorrow.

HEALTH LEGISLATION

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee on Health heard Dr. George Baehr, New York Academy of Medicine, testify in favor of voluntary as against compulsory health insurance in his support of S. 545, to create an independent National Health Agency. Hearings continue tomorrow.

NATURAL RESOURCES—PREMIUM PLAN

Committee on Public Lands: Natural Resources Economic Subcommittee in a study of the premium plan as applied to the production of lead, copper, and zinc in the U. S., heard testimony by Harold Stein, C. O. Mitendorf, and Harold Swope, Office of Temporary Controls; F. H. Hayes, Department of Commerce; and Henry Mulryan, executive vice president, Sierra Talc Co., Los Angeles. Government officials related practices and experiences of the U. S. under the Premium Price Plan. Mr. Mulryan told of the experiences of his company with foreign competition in that field. Hearings continue tomorrow.

MARYLAND CONTESTED ELECTION

Committee on Rules and Administration: Subcommittee on Privileges and Elections in executive session con-

tinued its investigation of the Maryland senatorial election contest. Subcommittee meets tomorrow.

SMALL BUSINESS—STEEL

Special Committee to Study Problems of American Small Business: L. C. Durham, Chicago; E. A. Kerschbaumer, Hannon & Kerschbaumer, Pittsburgh; and Enrique Rodriguez, Chilean export-import firm, explained to the Steel Subcommittee gray-market operations in which they were involved, concerning 300,000 tons of steel allegedly offered for sale to them by Firth-Sterling Steel Co., of McKeesport, Pa. The subcommittee, however, has been unable to identify the mill source of this steel. Two witnesses (Percy Nagle, Long Island, N. Y., and Herbert M. Karp, New York City), subpoenaed to testify today, did not appear since they could not be located by the U. S. marshal.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Fourteen public bills, H. R. 3578-3591; one private bill, H. R. 3592; and one resolution, H. J. Res. 208, were introduced. Pages 5704-5705

Bills Reported: Bills and resolutions were reported as follows:

H. R. 2857, extending second-class mailing privileges to State fish and game department bulletins (H. Rept. 417);

H. Res. 195, authorizing Committee on the District of Columbia to study District home rule and reorganization (H. Rept. 418);

H. R. 1652, providing for the naturalization of certain Yugoslav fliers, members of the U. S. Army (H. Rept. 419);

Disposal of certain Executive papers (H. Rept. 420);

H. R. 1045, amending the act providing for a permanent Census Office by permitting the disclosure of certain religious information in census takings (H. Rept. 421);

H. R. 959, amending the Internal Revenue Code relative to drawback upon exportation of distilled spirits and wines (H. Rept. 422);

H. R. 2872, clarifying the Public Debt Act of 1941 (H. Rept. 423);

H. R. 3101, extending period of time wherein certain executive department personnel is allowed to prosecute claims against the United States (H. Rept. 424);

Eighteen private claims bills: H. R. 617, 631, 637, 813, 837, 987, 993, 1144, 1162, 1497, 1508, 1531, 1658, 1799, 1851, 2302, 3387, and 3170 (H. Repts. Nos. 425-442, incl.); and

H. R. 3060, amending Servicemen's Readjustment Act of 1944, extending for 1 year authority of Veterans' Administrator to enter into leases for periods of not exceeding 5 years (H. Rept. 443). Pages 5704-5705

All-American Canal: Considered and passed H. R. 3348, changing construction plans of the Coachella Division of the All-American Canal Irrigation Project in California, resulting in savings of \$8,000,000 to the Federal Government. Pages 5664-5665

Deficiency Appropriations: Adopted the conference report (H. Rept. 415) on H. R. 3245, second deficiency appropriations bill for 1947. Pages 5665-5668

Wool: Considered and agreed to H. Res. 214, the rule making in order 3 hours' general debate on S. 814, wool support bill. In Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union, the 3 hours' general debate was completed and the first paragraph of the bill was read. Pages 5668-5703

Reports on Committee Meetings

MILITARY

Committee on Armed Services: Personnel Subcommittee concluded public hearings on Army-Navy promotion bills, H. R. 2536 and H. R. 2537, and heard Brig. Gen. John Dahlquist, USA, who testified in support of H. R. 2536.

Retirement Subcommittee continued hearings on H. R. 2744, Army vitalization and retirement bill, and heard Maj. Gen. W. S. Paul, Maj. Gen. E. E. Partridge, and Representative Ellsworth. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

Organization and Mobilization Subcommittee held hearings on H. R. 3471, to authorize the Secretary of War or Navy to lease certain facilities, and heard Under Secretary Kenneth C. Royall, War Department, and Hon. W. John Kenney, Navy Department, both of whom testified in support of the bill.

RECONSTRUCTION FINANCE CORPORATION

Committee on Banking and Currency: Continued hearings on continuation of RFC and heard further testimony of John D. Goodloe, Chairman, Reconstruction Finance Corporation. Mr. Goodloe specifically covered foreign loans made by RFC and described the activities of the Commodity Credit Corporation and the War Damage Corporation. Hearings will continue tomorrow on Regulation W of the Federal Reserve Board (consumer credit).

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Committee on the District of Columbia: Met in executive session and ordered favorably reported H. R. 3515, bribery in athletic contests; H. R. 1633, amending Life Insurance Act relating to beneficiaries; and H. R. 2976, teachers' pay bill, amended. The committee in executive session decided to appoint a five-member subcommittee to investigate the recent communistic address at Western High School.

FEDERAL AID TO EDUCATION

Committee on Education and Labor: Subcommittee on Education continued hearings on various bills pertaining to Federal aid to education, and heard Alvin A. Burger, Director of Research, N. J. State Chamber of Commerce, who testified in opposition to the legislation; Alexander E. Ginsburg, American Jewish Congress; and Miss Elizabeth Sheridan, Teachers Guild Local No. 2, American Federation of Teachers, A. F. of L., both of whom testified in favor of the bills. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

REORGANIZATION

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Continued hearings on the President's Reorganization Plans No. 1 and No. 2, and heard Hon. Keen Johnson, Under Secretary of Labor, who testified in support of the legislation; and Kenneth C. Patty, Assistant Attorney General of the State of Virginia, also representing the Unemployment Compensation Commission of Virginia, who opposed the proposed transfer of the U. S. Employment Service to the Department of Labor. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

NATIONAL AVIATION COUNCIL

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Met in executive session, considered and completed legislation proposing a National Aviation Council, which will be introduced as a new bill. The committee then voted to favorably report it to the House.

IMMIGRATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Met in executive session and ordered favorably reported to the House the following bills: H. R. 3149, relating to the admission to the United States of alien spouses and alien minor children of citizen members of the United States armed forces (amended); H. R. 3398, extending period for admission to the United States of alien fiancées or fiancés of members of the armed forces; also 6 private immigration bills and 18 private claims bills; 3 private immigration bills and 2 private claims bills were tabled.

SEAMEN'S BILL OF RIGHTS

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Subcommittee on Ship Construction and Operation and Maritime Labor continued hearings on H. R. 476, providing certain benefits for merchant seamen, and heard Donald R. Horn, Assistant Chief, Labor Research Section, U. S. Maritime Commission; C. W. Sanders, Assistant Director, Marine Division, Maritime Commission; James V. McCandless, Assistant to Commissioner, Maritime Commission; Paul O. Jackson, labor adviser; and Louis Lande, attorney, Maritime Commission. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

VETERANS' PREFERENCE—CIVIL SERVICE

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Met in executive session and ordered favorably reported, with amendments, H. R. 1389, determining veterans' preference in Government employment; and H. R. 1714, to exclude certain interns, student nurses, and other student employees of hospitals from the Classification Act. S. 125, allowing Official Reporters of Debates in the Senate and their employees to elect to come within the purview of the Civil Service Retirement Act, was also ordered favorably reported.

MILITARY CEMETERIES

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Public Lands held hearings on H. R. 1109, H. R. 1552, H. R. 1550, H. R. 2587, H. R. 872, H. R. 1057, H. R. 1816, H. R. 3450, and H. R. 3534, military cemetery legislation, and heard Representative Sikes, who testified in favor of H. R. 1057; Representative Brooks, who testified in favor of H. R. 3450; Representative Larcade, who testified in favor of H. R. 3534; Representative Sarbacher, who testified in favor of H. R. 1550; Brig. Gen. George A. Harkan, who spoke for the War Department in favor of H. R. 1552; and Mrs. Helen Gooden, representing Gold Star Wives of World War II, who testified in favor of legislation in all States.

RULES

Committee on Rules: Heard Representative Dirksen, chairman, Committee on the District of Columbia, and Representative Auchincloss speak in favor of H. Res. 195, authorizing House District Committee to study D. C. home rule and reorganization. This resolution was ordered reported favorably. Continued hearings

REPORT ON JOINT COMMITTEE MEETINGS

LABOR BILL

Conferees on H. R. 3020, labor bill, continued in session and Senator Taft stated that he hoped the preliminary consideration of the bill would be completed by Friday and a final agreement reached May 28.

Particular attention was given to the sections regarding Communist officers of unions, election of bargaining representatives, union information to be filed with the Secretary of Labor, and the application of rules of evidence. Conferees have now reached section 10 of the bill on prevention of unfair labor practices.

TAX REVISION

Committee on Ways and Means: Continued hearings on general tax revision and heard J. L. Egan, president, the Western Union Telegraph Co., New York, N. Y., who advocated the elimination of the communications tax. Hearings will continue tomorrow, with special reference to excise taxes on transportation.

Friday, May 23, 1947

HIGHLIGHTS

Both Houses received President's message on extension of emergency controls. Senate continued debate on income-tax reduction; House passed wool-support bill by a vote of 151 to 65.

Railroad reorganization bill ordered reported to House; potato surplus to be investigated by House Committee on Agriculture.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 5705-5720.

Bills Introduced: Three bills were introduced as follows: S. 1333-S. 1335. Page 5707

Bill Reported: A bill was reported, as follows: H. R. 1179, to aid in defraying the expenses of the WCTU World Convention (S. Rept. 198). Page 5707

Bill Referred: The following House-passed bill was referred to the committee indicated: H. R. 3348 (Committee on Public Lands). (For passage in House, see Digest, p. D199.) Page 5712

Change of Reference: S. 1318, construction of an Indian school in Washington, was referred to the Committee on Public Lands, after originally being sent to the Committee on Labor and Public Welfare. Page 5712

Controls Extension: Both Houses received Presidential message (H. Doc. 266) requesting a 1-year extension of a limited form of the Second War Powers Act to provide "allocation and priority powers to maintain the stability of our economy * * *" and "to carry out our foreign policy and to assist in world reconstruction." The message also urged "prompt action" on the extension of the Export Control Act. It

was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in both Houses. Pages 5712, 5734-5735

Tax Bill: Senate continued debate on H. R. 1, reduction of personal income taxes. Pages 5720-5729

Employment of Counsel: On motion of Senator Ferguson, the passage of S. J. Res. 107, relating to the employment of counsel by the Special Committee to Investigate the National Defense Program, was reconsidered, an amendment clarifying the powers of the committee and counsel adopted, and then the resolution was repassed. (For other references, see pp. D71, D112, D123.) Pages 5729-5730

Nominations: Appointment of Emmet O'Neal to be Ambassador to the Philippines was received, together with seven appointments as major generals and 36 as brigadier generals. Pages 5732-5733

Reports on Committee Meetings

INTERIOR APPROPRIATION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on H. R. 3123, Interior Department appropriation bill, continued hearings with testimony from Senator Myers; William E. Warne, Assistant Reclamation Commissioner; Warner W. Gardner, Assistant Secretary of the Interior; and Albert M. Day, Director, Fish and Wildlife Service.

NATIONAL DEFENSE ESTABLISHMENT

Committee on Armed Services: Committee in executive session on S. 758, to create a National Defense Establishment, tentatively agreed to sections 101-106, with amendments. Committee meets next on Monday.

RFC EXTENSION

Committee on Banking and Currency: Subcommittee considering proposed extension of the RFC continued hearings with the following witnesses testifying with particular reference to the \$80,000,000 loan by the RFC to the B. & O.: James M. Nicely, vice president, Guaranty Trust Co. of New York; Roy B. White, president of B. & O.; Howard Bruce, chairman of the board of the Baltimore National Bank and director of B. & O.; Arthur C. Knies, N. Y. Stock Exchange firm of Vilas & Hickey; R. L. Snodgrass, vice president of B. & O.; and Arthur Dean, N. Y. attorney for B. & O.

WAR DEPARTMENT AND PANAMA CANAL EMPLOYEES

Committee on Civil Service: Subcommittee met in executive session with officials of the executive branch on the Panama Canal alien hiring issue, but made no announcement of details.

In connection with its investigation of Government employees, the subcommittee heard Dr. M. H. Trytten, Director of the OSR, National Research Council, and chairman of the Civil Service Commission Scientific Board; and Col. A. H. Onthank, Director of Civilian Personnel, War Department, discuss downgrading in the War Department and opportunities for scientific and technical men.

ALCOHOLIC CLINIC

Committee on the District of Columbia: Subcommittee on S. 757, to establish an Alcoholic Clinic in the District of Columbia, heard favorable testimony from Mrs. Josephine Gurley, legislative director, WCTU; James Bennett, Bureau of Prisons; and D. C. Municipal Judge Walter J. Casey. Milton Kronheim, liquor dealer; J. Joseph Donohue, Washington Liquor Dealers' Association; and Jerome B. McKee, executive director, D. C. Retail Liquor Dealers Association, presented varying types of opposition to the proposal.

INFORMATION FOR BUSINESS ASSISTANCE

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Dr. S. M. Trister, chief chemist, Otte B. May Co., Newark, N. J., and Clarence Earle, Maryland Economic Council, appeared before the committee to endorse S. 493, Technical and Information Services Act. John C. Green, Director of the Office of Technical Services, Department of Commerce, explained functions of his office and the general problem of research by the Commerce Department and its relation with industry. Hearings continue on Wednesday of new week.

BIDDLE NOMINATION

Committee on Foreign Relations: In executive session, the committee questioned Francis Biddle regarding his nomination as United States representative to the UN Social and Economic Council.

RAILROAD REORGANIZATION

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee on S. 249, railroad reorganization bill, heard favorable testimony from the following witnesses: John Noble, counsel for trustee of Boston & Providence Railroad; A. Albert Minton, protective committee, Wisconsin Central first mortgage bonds; Wendell Reuss, McLaughlin Reuss & Co.; and Carter Harrison, protective committee, Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific preferred stock.

INTERNATIONAL AIR CARRIERS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee on Aviation heard John M. Franklin, United States Lines, favor, and G. E. Brophy, general counsel for PWA, oppose S. 987, to consolidate American flag international air lines. Hearings continue tomorrow.

JUDICIAL NOMINATIONS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittees met on nominations of Harold R. Medina, to be district judge for the southern district of New York, and Albert V. Bryan, to be judge for the eastern district of Virginia, but took no action.

HEALTH LEGISLATION

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee on Health heard Dr. J. Douglas Colman, chairman of the Government relations committee of the Blue Cross Commission of the American Hospital Association; and Jay C. Ketchum, executive vice president of the Michigan Medical Service, testify in support of S. 545, to create an independent National Health Agency. Hearings continue next week.

NATURAL RESOURCES

Committee on Public Lands: Natural Resources Economic Subcommittee heard Harvey J. Gunderson, Director of the RFC, discuss RFC-operated Texas City smelter and the position of the United States in tin smelting; Morris Levinson, Jesse C. Johnson, and Harold W. Sheehan, Office of Metal Reserves of the RFC, discuss the activities of their corporation; Lynn R. Edminster, Eben M. Whitcomb, Sidney Morgan, B. D. Dorfman, and Edgar B. Brossard, Commissioner, all of the United States Tariff Commission, outline the functions and present activities of the Tariff Commission with particular reference to critical minerals.

MARYLAND CONTESTED ELECTION

Committee on Rules and Administration: In executive session Subcommittee on Privileges and Elections con-

tinued its examination of the remaining 6,600 protested ballots in the five counties investigated to date in the Maryland senatorial election contest. Committee continues on Monday.

SMALL BUSINESS—STEEL

Special Committee to Study Problems of American Small Business: Steel Subcommittee continued hearings on gray-market operations and heard attorney Charles Marjotti, appearing for E. A. Kerschbaumer, and Percy Nagle, representing Chilean export-import concern. Mr. Nagle discussed a new offer of steel to him amount-

ing to 195,000 tons at over mill prices, but nothing was revealed as to the mill sources. State and Commerce Department officials (Tyler Wood, George Alexander, and Karl Anderson, of the State Department; and Nathan Ostroff, F. E. McIntyre, and John D. Garrett, of the Commerce Department) advised the subcommittee on exports, international commitments, and the handling of export control on steel. The full Export Policy Committee, an interagency group, was also present for advisory purposes. Hearings continue on Tuesday, May 27.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Eleven public bills, H. R. 3593-3603; seven private bills, H. R. 3604-3610; and two resolutions, H. Res. 216 and H. J. Res. 209, were introduced.

Pages 5736, 5773

Bills Reported: Bills and resolutions were reported as follows:

H. Res. 166, authorizing and directing the Committee on Agriculture to investigate and hold hearings on the national potato surplus (H. Rept. 444);

H. R. 1714, excluding certain interns, nurses, and other student-employees in Federal hospitals from the Classification Act and other laws relating to benefits of Federal employees (H. Rept. 445);

H. R. 1633, amending D. C. Life Insurance Regulation Act to permit benefit payments to administrators of insured persons, wherein the named beneficiary predeceases such named insured (H. Rept. 446);

H. R. 2470, authorizing establishment of a band in the Metropolitan Police Force of the District of Columbia (H. Rept. 447);

S. 135, legalizing admission of Frank Schindler into the United States (H. Rept. 448);

H. R. 3587, clarifying the national policy relating to aviation by establishment of a National Aviation Council (H. Rept. 449);

H. R. 3601, Department of Agriculture appropriations bill for 1948 (H. Rept. 450);

H. R. 494, creating a Board of Parole for the District (H. Rept. 451);

H. R. 497, transferring the District probation system to probation system of United States courts (H. Rept. 452); and

H. R. 3515, relating to bribery in athletic contests (H. Rept. 453).

Pages 5772, 5773

Controls Extension: For Presidential message for extension of the Second War Powers Act and Export Control Act, see Senate Chamber Action in this Digest.

Courthouse: Agreed to Senate amendments on H. R. 3029, authorizing new building for United States Court of Appeals and Federal district court, to be built in the District of Columbia, clearing the measure for the President's signature.

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Committee Election: Considered and agreed to H. Res. 216, electing Representative Davis, of Wisconsin, to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

Page 5736

Wool: In a 5-hour session, completed its consideration of, and passed by a standing vote of 151 to 65, S. 814, the wool support bill. As passed, the measure would continue the 1946 Government support price until December 31, 1948, and require the President to increase the import tariff on foreign wool whenever deemed necessary by the Tariff Commission, to protect the domestic wool industry.

An amendment by Representative Herter, of Massachusetts, designed to provide Government price support at 90 percent of parity as determined by the Bureau of Agricultural Economics, was rejected by a vote of 110 to 56. Another amendment, proposed by Representative Cooley, of North Carolina, providing that no action taken under this act would be in contravention of any international treaty to which the United States is now, or may hereafter become a party, was rejected by a vote of 102 to 27.

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Reports on Committee Meetings

MILITARY

Committee on Armed Services: Personnel Subcommittee met in executive session for further discussion of H. R. 2536 and H. R. 2537, Army and Navy promotion bills. Hearings continue Monday.

Retirement Subcommittee: continued hearings on H. R. 2744, Army vitalization and retirement bill, and heard Maj. Gen. Paul and Capt. F. O. Willenbacher. Hearings continue Monday.

Procurement Subcommittee met in executive session to discuss future plans for hearings and heard Francis V. Keesling.

CONSUMER CREDIT

Committee on Banking and Currency: Held hearings on Federal Reserve Board Regulation W (consumer credit) and heard Representative Hagen, and Paul Selby, executive vice president, National Consumer Finance Association, both of whom testified that Regulation W was a wartime measure and should not be continued in a peacetime economy. Hearings will continue on Monday.

FEDERAL AID TO EDUCATION

Committee on Education and Labor: Subcommittee on Education continued hearings on various bills pertaining to Federal aid to education, and heard Benjamin C. Marsh, People's Lobby; William F. V. Saunders, High School Teachers' Association of New York City; Kermit Eby, CIO; and Russell Smith, National Farmers Union, all of whom testified in favor of the legislation.

REORGANIZATION—SURPLUS

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Continued hearings on Reorganization Plans No. 1 and No. 2, and heard Maurice Collins, Acting Administrator, Federal Security Agency, who testified in favor of the legislation; and R. G. Wagenet, Director, Bureau of Employment Security, Social Security Administration, who outlined the functions of the United States Employment Service and its relation to the Bureau of Employment Security of the Federal Security Agency and emphasized the dual relationship of the Employment Service with labor functions and with social insurances. Hearings will continue tomorrow, with Robert C. Goodwin, Director, United States Employment Service.

Surplus Property Subcommittee continued hearings on general administrative policy of the War Assets Administration and heard James A. Garfield, formerly employed with WAA.

FOREIGN AFFAIRS

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Met in executive session on committee organization.

Special Subcommittee held executive session on report on H. J. Res. 207, International Refugee Organization.

AVIATION—RAILROADS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Met in executive session and ordered favorably reported H. R. 3587, clarifying national policy relating to aviation by establishment of a National Aviation Council; S. 640, sale of Weather Bureau property at East Lansing, Mich.; and H. R. 2298, railroad reorganization, as amended.

JUDICIAL

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 1 held hearings on H. R. 854, to increase the salaries of certain justices and judges of the Territory of Hawaii, and H. R. 856, relating to tenure of office and retirement of those justices and judges, and heard Delegate Farrington and Jon Wiig.

Subcommittee on Immigration and Naturalization considered three private immigration measures and agreed to report two of them favorably to the full committee.

Subcommittee on Patents, Trade-Marks, and Copyrights began hearings on H. R. 1269, H. R. 1270, and H. R. 2570, bills relating to copyrights, and heard Representative Fellows; Maurice J. Speiser, general counsel, National Association of Performing Artists; Fred Waring, president, National Association of Performing Artists; and Gene Buck, director, ASCAP.

SEAMEN'S BILL OF RIGHTS

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Subcommittee on Ship Construction and Operation and Maritime Labor continued hearings on H. R. 476, a bill providing certain benefits for merchant seamen, and heard Rear Admiral Telfair Knight, Maritime Commission. Hearings will be continued on Monday.

VETERANS

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Held hearings on H. R. 739, veterans' preference, and heard John Overholt, Chief, Reduction in Force Unit, Civil Service Commission who testified in opposition to the bill; and J. L. Nelson, Federal Employees Veterans' Association, Philadelphia, Pa., who testified in favor of the bill.

PUBLIC LANDS—MILITARY CEMETERIES

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Public Lands held hearings on H. R. 2750 and H. R. 2751, transfer of lands from Olympic National Park to Olympic National Forest; H. R. 2411, patenting certain land to public hospital, State of Washington; and H. R. 1109, relating to national cemetery legislation, and heard Representatives Horan, Holmes, and Jackson, who testified in favor of H. R. 2750 and H. R. 2751; Representative Jackson, who testified in favor of H. R. 2411; and Millard W. Rice, national public relations division, Disabled American Veterans; Harry V. Hayden, national legislative representative, American Legion; J. A. Landanin, representing Bureau of Land Management; Brig. Gen. Harkan, who explained the need for favorable action on H. R. 1109; and Lou Minear, representing American Cemetery Association, who testified against the bill. Subcommittee ordered H. R. 2411 favorably reported to the full committee.

RULES

Committee on Rules: Heard Representative Shafer in favor of H. Res. 166, authorizing and directing the Committee on Agriculture to undertake an investigation with respect to the potato surplus. The resolution was ordered reported.

VETERANS

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Met in executive session to consider legislation providing automobiles for disabled veterans. Session will be continued on Monday.

TAX REVISION

Committee on Ways and Means: Continued hearings on general tax revision with special reference to excise taxes on transportation, and heard John V. Lawrence, managing director, American Trucking Association, Washington, D. C.; F. F. Estes, traffic manager, National Coal Association, Washington, D. C.; both of whom advocated the repeal of the 3-percent transportation tax on property; and Jack G. Scott, general counsel, National Association of Motor Bus Operators, Washington, D. C., who advocated the repeal of the 15-percent transportation tax on persons. Hearings will be continued on Monday.

REPORT ON JOINT COMMITTEE MEETINGS

LABOR BILL

Conferees on H. R. 3020, labor bill, completed preliminary consideration of the measure, ordered a new print made of tentative language with several alternatives on major points, and set Tuesday, May 27, as their next meeting.

It was agreed that the Attorney General should act at the direction of the President in appointing boards of inquiry when labor disputes occur involving health and safety. Senate conferees accepted the House provisions making it unlawful to strike against the Government and barring union contributions to political parties. House conferees offered no objection to the Senate provision creating a Joint Congressional Committee to study the basic problems of labor and management.

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(New Law)

(For last listing of public laws, see D187)

S. 938, authorizing \$400,000,000 for aid to Greece and Turkey. Signed May 22, 1947 (P. L. 75).

Monday, May 26, 1947

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate rejected motion to postpone consideration of income-tax reduction; House adjourned out of respect to Representative Bradley of Michigan.

Treasury-Post Office appropriation, insecticide, and two public lands bills reported to Senate.

Bill providing U. S. membership in International Refugee Organization ordered reported to House.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 5777-5780.

Bills Introduced: Fifteen bills and four resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1336-S. 1350; S. J. Res. 120, 121; S. Con. Res. 16; and S. Res. 117.

Pages 5779-5780, 5805

Bills Reported: Bills were reported as follows:

H. R. 1237, to regulate the marketing of economic poisons (S. Rept. 199);

H. R. 1874, to provide that funds apportioned to States under Federal Aid Highway Act of 1944 shall

remain available for 2 years after authorized (S. Rept. 200);

H. R. 2436, Treasury-Post Office appropriation bill (S. Rept. 201);

H. R. 2353, authorizing the patenting of land in Montana (S. Rept. 202);

S. 1318, to provide school board funds in Grays Harbor County, Washington (S. Rept. 203);

S. 1185, to authorize the disposition of materials on public lands (S. Rept. 204); and

S. 1262, to provide standardization of geographic names by a central authority (S. Rept. 205). Page 5779

Military Collaboration: Senate received Presidential message on "authorizing a program of military collaboration with other American states including the training, organization, and equipment of the armed forces of those countries." A draft of a proposed bill was enclosed. The proposal was referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations. Pages 5780-5781

Tax Bill: Senate continued debate of H. R. 1, reduction of personal income taxes, and defeated by 44 yeas to 48 nays the motion of Senator George to postpone further consideration of the proposal until June 10. Pages 5774, 5781-5804

Wool Bill: Conference was requested with the House on S. 814, wool price support bill, and the following conferees appointed: Senators Aiken, Bushfield, Young, Thomas of Oklahoma, and Ellender. Page 5781

Death of Representative: S. Res. 117, expressing condolence on the death of Representative Bradley of Michigan, was adopted. Page 5805

Nominations: Two nominations in the Public Health Service and 88 Navy appointments were received. Pages 5805-5806

Reports on Committee Meetings

FERTILIZER, INSECTICIDES, AND LAND BANKS

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Senators Hickel, Hill, and Wherry (sponsors of the bill), and George Putnam, president of the New Hampshire Farm Bureau, spoke in support of S. 1251, national soil fertility policy and program.

On May 24 the committee ordered reported to the Senate H. R. 1237, to regulate the marketing of economic poisons, after hearing explanatory statements in support of the bill by Representative Andresen and John H. Connor, general counsel, National Association of Insecticide and Disinfectant Manufacturers.

In executive session on May 24, a motion was adopted to take action on May 28 on S. 925, to transfer Land Bank Commissioner Loan Service to Federal Land Bank System.

Committee meets again tomorrow on S. 1251.

TREASURY-POST OFFICE APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Reported Treasury-Post Office appropriations bill, H. R. 2436, carrying a net increase over the amount approved by the House of \$40,994,423. The total as reported to the Senate is \$3,243,045,173. This compares with \$3,202,050,750 as passed by the House and is under the estimates by \$856,078,327.

STATE, JUSTICE, COMMERCE APPROPRIATION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee considered the Office of Technical Services of the Department

of Commerce and tentatively decided to open hearings on H. R. 3311, State, Justice, Commerce appropriations bill the last of this week or the first of next.

INTERIOR APPROPRIATION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on H. R. 3123, Interior Department appropriation bill, heard testimony from the following witnesses: Senators Saltonstall, Hoey, Umstead, Connally, and Magnuson; R. R. Sayers, Director of the Bureau of Mines; Thomas H. Miller, Assistant Director; Robert Yellowtail, representing Crow Indians; Francis J. Heazel, Asheville, N. C.; Thomas D. Rice, Massachusetts Fisheries Association; Frederick Johnson, Committee on Recovery of Archeological Remains; and Lawrence J. Hart, Gloucester Fisheries Association.

NATIONAL DEFENSE ESTABLISHMENT

Committee on Armed Services: In executive session in consideration of S. 758, to create a National Defense Establishment, the committee tentatively agreed to sections 107, 108, and 109, relating to the establishment of the Department of the Air Force, and agreed to consider further the language of section 106, as it affects the Marine Corps and naval aviation. Session continues tomorrow.

BANK HOLDING COMPANIES

Committee on Banking and Currency: In open hearings Marriner S. Eccles, Chairman, Board of Governors of Federal Reserve System, testified in support of S. 829, to provide for control and regulation of bank holding companies. Letters from Secretary of the Treasury Snyder and Chairman of SEC James J. Caffrey, in support of the bill, were read into the record.

Mr. Eccles said the bill reflects the Federal Reserve System's experience over a period of approximately 14 years in dealing with bank holding company problems, to provide for their operations in accordance with established banking principles and public policy. Further hearings will be held on June 2 to receive testimony from opponents and proponents.

INTERNATIONAL AIR CARRIERS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Assistant Secretary of Commerce William A. M. Burden and Croil Hunter, president, Northwest Airlines, appeared before the Subcommittee on Aviation in opposition to S. 987, to consolidate the American flag international air lines.

On Saturday, May 24, the subcommittee heard Gerald P. O'Grady, representing Pacific Northern Airlines, and Hubert A. Schneider, representing Caribbean-Atlantic Airlines, Inc., testify in opposition to certain parts of S. 987, and Charles A. Rheinstrom, aviation consultant of New York, testify in support of it. Hearings continue on Wednesday.

PRIVATE BILLS

Committee on the Judiciary: In executive session the committee ordered reported without amendment three private claims bills (H. R. 888, 675, and S. 851) and H. R. 2237, to correct an error in Public Law 428 of the 78th Congress relating to court fees for naturalization.

PUBLIC LAND AND INDIAN BILLS

Committee on Public Lands: In executive session the committee approved 15 bills of which 13 were Indian bills, mostly to grant patents to Indians for lands (H. R. 2353, S. 39, 394, 395, 396, 397, 398, 399, 484, 686, with amendment, 753, 1150, and 1318).

Committee reported without amendment S. 1185, to authorize the disposition of materials on public lands, such as sand, stone, gravel, and timber; and S. 1262, to provide the standardization of geographic names by a central authority.

MARYLAND CONTESTED ELECTION

Committee on Rules and Administration: In executive session Subcommittee on Privileges and Elections continued its examination of the remaining 6,600 protested ballots in the 5 counties investigated to date in the Maryland senatorial election contest. Subcommittee continues tomorrow.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Ten public bills, H. R. 3611-3620; two private bills, H. R. 3621 and 3622; and two resolutions, H. Res. 217 and 218, were introduced. Pages 5806, 5814-5816

Bills Reported: Bills and a report were reported as follows:

H. R. 468, amending the Internal Revenue Code in respect of distributions by personal holding companies (H. Rept. 454);

H. R. 3309, amending the Organic Act of Puerto Rico, so as to allow qualified voters of Puerto Rico to elect their own Governor, and outline authority of the Governor-elect (H. Rept. 455);

S. 125, amending Civil Service Retirement Act of 1930, to extend benefits of such act to Official Reporters of Debates in the Senate and their employees (H. Rept. 456);

H. R. 1945, amending the Internal Revenue Code relating to the regulatory provisions governing wine production (H. Rept. 457);

H. R. 1946, amending the Internal Revenue Code relating to provisions governing the blending of beverage brandies (H. Rept. 458);

H. R. 1947, amending the Internal Revenue Code relating to liability of stockholders for taxes on distilled spirits assessed against certain registered distilleries (H. Rept. 459);

S. 640, Authorizing Secretary of Commerce to sell Weather Bureau property at East Lansing, Mich., to Michigan State College (H. Rept. 460);

H. R. 3511, extending provisions of the Civil Service Retirement Act of 1930, relating to benefits of eligible annuitants who have been separated from Federal service (H. Rept. 461);

Disposal of certain executive papers (H. Rept. 462); and

H. J. Res. 207, authorizing appropriation and providing for membership by United States in the International Refugee Organization (H. Rept. 464). Page 5815

Agriculture Appropriations: Agreed to motion by Representative Allen of Illinois, that the Rules Committee be given until midnight, May 26, to file a report on H. Res. 218, waiving all points of order against any provisions contained in H. R. 3601, Department of Agriculture appropriations for 1948, which, when filed, will be House Report No. 463. Page 5806

Death of Hon. Fred Bradley: Agreed to H. Res. 217, a resolution calling for immediate adjournment of the House and suitable expressions of condolence to be extended as a mark of respect to the memory of Hon. Fred Bradley, Eleventh Congressional District of Michigan, who passed away on Saturday, May 24.

Pursuant to this resolution, the Speaker pro tempore appointed Representatives Dingell, Hoffman, and Shafer, all of Michigan, and Grant of Indiana, as members of the funeral committee on the part of the House. Pages 5806-5815

Reports on Committee Meetings

TIMBER

Committee on Agriculture: Held hearings on H. J. Res. 205, to authorize Secretary of Agriculture to sell timber within the Tongass National Forest, and heard Warner Gardner, Assistant Secretary, Department of the Interior; C. M. Granger, Assistant Chief, Forest Service, Department of Agriculture; Ernest Gruening, Governor of Alaska; and B. F. Heintzman, Regional Forester,

Forest Service, Alaska, all of whom testified in favor of the legislation.

MILITARY

Committee on Armed Services: Personnel Subcommittee held executive session on H. R. 2536 and H. R. 2537, Army and Navy promotion bills.

Heavy Munitions Subcommittee held hearings on H. R. 3315, to authorize the conversion of naval vessels and heard Vice Adm. Earle W. Mills, Chief of the Bureau of Ships, who testified in support of the bill. Subcommittee agreed to report the bill favorably to the full committee.

Retirement Subcommittee continued hearings on H. R. 2744, Army vitalization and retirement equalization bill, and heard Representatives Martin of Iowa and Bradley of California; John C. Williamson, VFW; Gen. W. S. Paul and Capt. Thomas Jackson.

RECONSTRUCTION FINANCE CORPORATION

Committee on Banking and Currency: Continued hearings on continuation of RFC and received further testimony from John D. Goodloe, Chairman, Reconstruction Finance Corporation. Hearings tomorrow on consumer credit (Regulation W).

REORGANIZATION

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Continued hearings on Reorganization Plans No. 1 and No. 2, and heard Representatives Pace, Andersen, and Cooley, who appeared in favor of Plan No. 1. Hearings will continue tomorrow, with various State representatives of the United States Employment Service.

REFUGEE ORGANIZATION

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Met in executive session and unanimously ordered favorably reported H. J. Res. 207, International Refugee Organization bill.

INTERNATIONAL AIR CARRIERS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Continued hearings on sea-air chosen-instrument bills and heard Bon Geaslin, general counsel and vice president of Waterman Steamship Corp., Mobile, Ala., who testified in favor of sea-air legislation and in opposition to chosen-instrument legislation; and John Slater, chairman of board, American Overseas Airlines, who testified in opposition to chosen-instrument legislation. Hearings will continue tomorrow, with further testimony from Mr. Slater.

IMMIGRATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Immigration and Naturalization considered private immigration bills.

MERCHANT MARINE AND FISHERIES

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Due to the death of Chairman Bradley of Michigan, all committee meetings scheduled for this week are canceled.

FBI RETIREMENT

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Held hearings on H. R. 2826, FBI retirement, and heard Attorney General Tom Clark; Representative Rivers; and Hugh Clegg, Assistant Director of FBI, all of whom testified in favor of the bill; and Warren Irons, Civil Service Commission, who testified in opposition to the bill, with certain qualifications.

PUBLIC LANDS

Committee on Public Lands: Held executive session on H. R. 3309, to amend the Organic Act of Puerto Rico, and H. R. 2411, patenting certain lands in Clallam County, Wash., for hospital purposes. Committee ordered both bills favorably reported to the House.

Subcommittee on Public Lands held hearings on H. R. 2725 and H. R. 2726, payment of funds in lieu of taxes, and heard Judge G. C. Blanton, Selma, Ala., representing National Association of County Officials; County Attorney Marcus G. Crest, Nassau, N. Y.; William H. Emerson, corporation counsel, city of Rochester, N. Y.; A. A. Mellicker, city attorney, Bayonne, N. J.; J. Fred Schneider, State Association of County Commissioners, Colorado; J. H. Vaughan, North Carolina County Commissioners Association; and John Prout, Board of Freeholders, Hudson County, N. J., all of whom testified in favor of the bills. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

RULES

Committee on Rules: Heard Representative Taber, chairman, Appropriations Committee, and Representative Dirksen in favor of a rule waiving points of order against H. R. 3601, a bill making appropriations for the Department of Agriculture for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1948. Heard in opposition to the proposed rule were Representatives Cannon, ranking minority member, Appropriations Committee; Representative Hope, chairman, Committee on Agriculture; and Representatives Cooley, Zimmerman, and Pace. A resolution waiving points of order was reported by the committee. The committee also heard Chairman Eaton, of the Committee on Foreign Affairs, and Representative Mundt in favor of a resolution providing consideration of H. R. 3342, United States Information and Educational Exchange Act of 1947. Hearings on this bill will be continued next Wednesday.

VETERANS

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Met in executive session on various bills. Meeting will continue tomorrow.

RAILROADS

Committee on Ways and Means: Met in executive session on H. R. 3369, to treat certain predecessor and successor railroad corporations as the same taxpayer for the purposes of certain provisions of the Internal Revenue Code. Committee agreed to report out a new bill incorporating the provisions of H. R. 3369 with certain clarifying amendments to be incorporated into a new bill.

REPORT ON JOINT COMMITTEE MEETINGS

ATOMIC ENERGY

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: In executive session, committee held an administrative meeting to discuss the Atomic Energy Commission budget.

BILL SIGNED BY THE PRESIDENT

(New Law)

(For last listing of public laws, see p. D205)

H. R. 3245, Second Deficiency Appropriation. Signed May 26, 1947 (P. L. 76).

Tuesday, May 27, 1947

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate defeated community property tax amendment; House completed general debate on Agriculture appropriations bill for 1948.

Both Houses received Housing Reorganization Plan.

SEC nomination reported to Senate.

Bills on export control, increased veterans' subsistence allowance, and return of military dead from overseas ordered reported to House.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 5816-5819.

Bills Introduced: Five bills were introduced, as follows: S. 1351-S. 1355. Pages 5818-5819

Bills Reported: Bills and a report were reported, as follows:

S. 753, to authorize the Secretary of Interior to defer collection of certain irrigation construction charges (S. Rept. 206);

H. R. 2237, to correct an error relating to naturalization court fees (P. L. 428 of 78th Cong.) (S. Rept. 207); and

Report from the Committee on the Reduction of Non-essential Expenditures (no report number). Page 5817

Housing Reorganization: Received Presidential Reorganization Plan No. 3 (H. Doc. 270) and message thereon dealing solely with housing. The message provides for a grouping of "nearly all of the permanent housing agencies and functions of the Government, and the remaining emergency housing activities, in a Housing and Home Finance Agency with the follow-

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ing constituent operating agencies: (a) A Home Loan Bank Board to administer the Federal Savings and Loan Insurance Corporation, the Home Owners' Loan Corporation, and the functions of the Federal Home Loan Bank Board and its members; (b) a Federal Housing Administration with the same functions as now provided by law for that agency; and (c) a Public Housing Administration to take over the functions of the United States Housing Authority and certain remaining emergency housing activities pending the completion of their liquidation. * * *

The following agencies would be abolished: Federal Home Loan Bank Board, Board of Directors of HOLC, Board of Trustees of the Federal Savings and Loan Insurance Corporation, together with the offices of the members of these boards, and the offices of the Federal Housing Administrator and the U. S. Housing Authority.

Proposal was referred to Committee on Banking and Currency. Pages 5819, 5868-5869

Tax Bill: Senate adopted all committee amendments to H. R. 1, reduction of personal income taxes.

Amendment of Senator McClellan, seeking to give to residents of noncommunity property States the bene-

fits now allowed to citizens of community property States for the purpose of determining individual income taxes, was defeated by 29 yeas to 51 nays.

Pages 5819, 5821-5865

Reports on Committee Meetings

FERTILIZER

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: The following witnesses testified in support of S. 1251, national soil fertility policy and program: Edward A. O'Neal, president, and Dr. George D. Scarseth, director of research, both of the American Farm Bureau Federation; L. I. Jones, State College of Mississippi; Alfred G. Lunn, president of Massachusetts Farm Bureau; and Charles H. Marshall, president of Nebraska Farm Bureau. Tomorrow committee continues these hearings and meets in executive session on Land Bank Commissioner loans.

INTERIOR APPROPRIATION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee continuing on H. R. 3123, Interior Department appropriation bill, heard testimony from Representative Ellsworth and officials of the Bureau of Mines.

NATIONAL DEFENSE ESTABLISHMENT

Committee on Armed Services: In executive session on S. 758, to create a National Defense Establishment, the committee tentatively agreed to sections 110-114, inclusive, relating to the War Council, Joint Chiefs of Staff, Joint Staff, Munitions Board, and Research and Development Board, as well as a revised form of section 106, affecting the Marine Corps and naval aviation. Committee continues tomorrow.

SEC MEMBER

Committee on Banking and Currency: In executive session approved the nomination of Edmund Hanrahan, of New York, to be a member of the SEC.

CIVIL SERVICE

Committee on Civil Service: Committee met in executive session.

D. C. BILLS

Committee on the District of Columbia: The following bills were approved for reporting to the Senate: H. R. 1624, car pay allowances to three D. C. police inspectors; H. R. 1997 and S. 924, seniority benefits to veterans on D. C. Police and Fire Departments; S. 1191, to make changes in Methodist Home certificate of incorporation; S. 966, to establish District Educational Agency for Surplus Property; S. 1124, to amend D. C. Boiler Inspection Act; S. 1125, exemption of certain property from D. C. taxes; S. 1265, to amend D. C. Code on liability of causing death by wrongful act; and S. 1266, relating to admissibility of certain testimony.

INVESTMENT BILL

Committee on the District of Columbia: Subcommittee on S. 515, Prudent-Man Investment Act, heard favorable testimony from Jo V. Morgan, chairman, special committee of D. C. Bar Association; Mayo A. Shattuck, Boston attorney; S. William Miller, president, D. C. Bankers Association; John A. Reilly, president, Washington Board of Trade; and 6 representatives of local banks.

ILO AMENDMENTS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee approved S. J. Res. 117, agreeing to amendments to the constitution of the International Labor Organization.

It was announced that hearings set for June 2 and 3 on Executive H of the 79th Congress, Anglo-American oil agreement, would be continued approximately 2 weeks later if all witnesses were not heard in the original 2-day session.

RAILROAD FINANCING

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee on S. 249, railroad financing bill, heard favorable testimony from B. C. Forbes, Forbes Magazine; Robert T. Purcell, C. & O. Railway; Joseph B. Ely, Old Colony Railway; Nathaniel Tilden, representative of Massachusetts General Court; R. J. Morfa, Missouri, Kansas & Texas Railway; and L. H. Rothchild, L. H. Rothchild Co. Hearings continue tomorrow.

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee heard the following Senators testify in support of their respective joint resolutions to amend the Constitution: Senator Kilgore on S. J. Res. 25, to authorize the President, with the advice and consent of the Senate, to appoint a Vice President in case of vacancy in office; Senator Hatch on S. J. Res. 26, lengthen term of office of Representatives to 4 years; Senator Fulbright, accompanied by Thomas Finletter, on S. J. Res. 29, providing that Congress, by concurrent resolution, or President, by Executive order, may call election at any time to choose the President, Vice President, Senators, and Representatives in Congress; Senator Lodge filed statement on S. J. Res. 91, election of President and Vice President by direct vote; Senator Tydings, on behalf of himself and Senator Bridges, on S. J. Res. 61, relating to fiscal matters to limit appropriations not to exceed budget estimates, except in time of war or by three-fifths vote of each House; and Senator Langer, on behalf of himself and Senator Taylor, on S. J. Res. 106, relating to term of office of the President and providing for his popular election.

SOLICITOR GENERAL

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee heard the following witnesses testify in support of Philip B. Perl-

man, to be Solicitor General of the United States: Philip B. Perlman; Senator Tydings; Judge W. Conwell Smith, Supreme Bench of Baltimore; Samuel K. Dennis, former judge of the Supreme Bench of Baltimore; Judge Charles Markell, Maryland Court of Appeals; and one Maryland State senator.

INDIANS

Committee on Public Lands: Indian Subcommittee heard two Indians from the Fort Berthold Reservation testify in support of S. 1133, to make per capita payments in settlement of certain claims to Indians of that reservation in North Dakota.

AMERICAN LEGION

Committee on Public Works: Committee approved without amendment H. R. 1412, to grant American Legion Post No. 38 in Belzoni, Miss., reversionary interest in certain lands. Subcommittee meets tomorrow on stream pollution bill.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Seventeen public bills, H. R. 3623-3639; five private bills, H. R. 3640-3644; and one resolution, H. Res. 219, were introduced. Page 5914

Bills Reported: Bills were reported as follows:

H. R. 1389, amending the Veterans' Preference Act of 1944, by clarifying wording relating to "active duty" in the United States armed forces (H. Rept. 465);

H. R. 2005, amending act of April 21, 1932 (47 Stat. 88), authorizing 15-year lease extensions and renewals on lands containing coal and asphalt deposits owned by Choctaw and Chickasaw Indian Nation in Oklahoma (H. Rept. 466);

H. R. 2411, authorizing patenting of certain lands to Public Hospital District No. 2, Clallam County, Wash., for hospital purposes (H. Rept. 467);

H. R. 2572, with amendment, permitting sale of liquor to Indians outside Indian country (H. Rept. 468);

H. R. 2852, providing for addition of certain surplus Government lands to Otter Creek recreational demonstration area, Kentucky (H. Rept. 469);

H. R. 3465, amending Federal Crop Insurance Act relating to insurance for any insured commodity loss, while in the field, due to unavoidable causes (H. Rept. 470);

DEFENSE COMMITTEE COUNSEL

Special Committee to Investigate the National Defense Program: On May 26, in executive session, committee appointed William Pierce Rogers as its chief counsel to replace George Meader, whose resignation was accepted.

Committee meets on Thursday jointly with the Surplus Property Subcommittee of the Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments to consider basic magnesium.

SMALL BUSINESS—STEEL

Special Committee to Study Problems of American Small Business: Continuing hearings on steel shortages affecting smaller manufacturers and users, Steel Subcommittee heard Edgar Kaiser, accompanied by Frederick Lord, Kaiser-Frazer Corp., Willow Run, Mich., discuss sources of steel supply for his new business; and C. M. Riefkin, sales manager, Newport Rolling Mills Division, International Detrola Co., Newport, Ky., discuss distribution of steel products of his company. Hearings continue tomorrow.

H. R. 3604, authorizing the D. C. Methodist Home to make certain changes in its certificate of incorporation with respect to stated objects (H. Rept. 471);

H. R. 3547, authorizing funds for ceremonies in the District of Columbia (H. Rept. 472);

H. R. 3611, regulating salaries of teachers, school officers, and other employees of the District of Columbia Board of Education (H. Rept. 473);

H. R. 3252, authorizing Secretary of Navy to convey to the city of Long Beach, Calif., land easements within the Navy Housing Project for street purposes (H. Rept. 474);

H. R. 3053, authorizing Secretary of Navy to convey to the District of Ewa, Territory of Hawaii, land easements for public utility and highway purposes (H. Rept. 475); and

H. R. 3056, authorizing Secretary of Navy to convey to city of Macon and Bibb County, Ga., land easement within Bibb County for public utility and road purposes (H. R. 476). Pages 5913-5914

Military Cooperation: Received Presidential message on proposed legislation to authorize a program of military cooperation with other American nations. This proposal was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs. Pages 5869-5870

Housing: For details of Presidential message transmitting Reorganization Plan No. 3, dealing solely with housing, see Senate *Chamber Action* in this Digest. This message was referred to the Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments and ordered printed as a House document. *Pages 5819, 5868-5869*

Order of Business: On motion of Mr. Halleck, by unanimous consent, the House agreed to dispense with Calendar Wednesday business of Wednesday, May 28. *Page 5870*

District Day: On motion of Mr. Halleck, by unanimous consent, the House agreed to make in order the business of the District of Columbia Committee, Thursday, May 29, following completion of H. R. 3601, Agriculture appropriations for 1948. *Page 5870*

Agriculture Appropriations: Adopted, by roll-call vote of 189 yeas to 170 nays, H. Res. 218, rule waiving all points against any provisions of H. R. 3601, Agriculture appropriations bill for 1948.

After adoption of the rule, in Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union, completed nearly 6 hours of general debate on the measure and read the first paragraph, thus preparing to read the bill for amendment under the 5-minute rule. *Pages 5871-5913*

Employment of Counsel: Considered and agreed to S. J. Res. 107, relating to the employment of counsel by the Special Committee to Investigate the National Defense Program. *Page 5913*

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CROP INSURANCE

Committee on Agriculture: Met in executive session and voted to report H. R. 3465, crop insurance bill, with a minor amendment.

MILITARY

Committee on Armed Services: Met in executive session and ordered favorably reported the following bills: H. R. 3049, export control; H. R. 3251, Naval Retiring Board; H. R. 3053, H. R. 3056, and H. R. 3252, easement bills; H. R. 1845, military leave for Federal employees; H. R. 3191, Philippine Missing Persons Act; H. R. 2314, lump-sum payment bill; H. R. 1380, 6 months' gratuity bill; H. J. Res. 96, posthumous promotion for Lt. Gen. Roy S. Geiger; H. R. 3055, utilities bill; H. R. 3394, return of remains from overseas to home of next of kin; H. R. 3484, transfer of remount service to Department of Agriculture.

CONSUMER CREDIT

Committee on Banking and Currency: Continued hearings on consumer credit control (Regulation W) and heard Representative Davis; M. I. Behrens, Jr., of Ludwig Bauman Co., New York; W. E. Kimbrell, of Kimbrell's Inc., Charlotte, N. C.; J. I. McMahon, of McMahon Furniture Co., Santa Monica, Calif.; Myron R. Bone, vice president, American Industrial Bankers Association; and Gary M. Underhill, executive director, Consumer Bankers Association, all of whom testified in favor of repeal of Regulation W. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Committee on the District of Columbia: Met in executive session and ordered favorably reported to the House the following bills: H. R. 3611, teachers' salary bill; H. R. 3547, funds for District of Columbia Commissioners to use for municipal purposes in entertaining foreign dignitaries; and H. R. 3604, to authorize changes in incorporation papers of the Methodist Home.

FEDERAL AID TO EDUCATION

Committee on Education and Labor: Education Subcommittee continued hearings on bill's pertaining to Federal aid to education, and heard Dr. Beatty Dimit, State Teachers College, Indiana, Pa., representing Pennsylvania State Grange, who testified against the pending legislation; Dr. Worth McClure, executive secretary, American Association of School Administrators; Dr. Benjamin Fine, educational editor, New York Times, both of whom testified in favor of the bills; and Edgar G. Brown, director, National Negro Council, who testified against the bills, with qualifications. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

REORGANIZATION—SURPLUS

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Held hearings on Reorganization Plans No. 1 and No. 2, and heard R. T. Compton, National Association of Manufacturers; Harry Crozier, Unemployment Compensation Commission, State of Texas; Ben T. Huett, Labor Commissioner, State of Georgia; James T. Graham, Unemployment Compensation Commissioner, Department of Labor, State of Connecticut; and H. F. Garrett, Unemployment Compensation Director of State of Idaho.

Surplus Property Subcommittee held hearings on operation of agency agreements made by War Assets Administration with private firms or individuals, and heard John Carey, Robert B. Bradford, both of Washington Office, WAA; A. E. R. Peterka, Lamson & Ses-

sions Co., Cleveland, Ohio; W. D. Wynant, Parker Appliance Co., Cleveland, Ohio; and Louis Tansey, Clary Multiplier Corp., Los Angeles, Calif.

FOREIGN AFFAIRS

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Met in executive session and discussed committee organization.

INTERNATIONAL AIR CARRIERS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Concluded hearings on sea-air chosen-instrument bills and heard John Slater, chairman of the board, American Overseas Airlines, Inc., New York City; C. R. Smith, chairman of the board, American Airlines, Inc., New York City; Tiery Ford, chairman, sea-air committee, National Federation of American Shipping, Washington, D. C., who testified in favor of sea-air legislation; and Lt. Comdr. Langdon P. Marvin, Jr., USNR, formerly chairman of the Interdepartmental Air Cargo Priorities Committee, speaking as a private citizen in opposition to chosen-instrument legislation, with permission of the Navy.

CIVIL SERVICE RETIREMENT

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Met in executive session on H. R. 3232, Civil Service retirement, and heard Warren Irons, Chief, Retirement Division, Civil Service Commission.

GUAM—SAMOA—TAXES

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Territorial and Insular Possessions held hearings on H. J. Res. 70, H. J. Res. 80, H. R. 64, H. R. 2753, H. R. 3044, and H. R. 3563, all relating to government of Guam, and H. R. 3564, relating to government of Samoa, and heard Representative Grant of Indiana, who spoke in support of his bill, H. R. 3044; Senator Butler, who gave his observations on Guam and urged favorable action on H. R. 2753; and John Wiig, former chief of police in Guam, who testified in support of H. R. 2753. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

Subcommittee on Public Lands held hearings on H. R. 14 and other taxation bills, with particular interest shown by witnesses in H. R. 2725 and 2726, and heard Christian Kahl, president, Board of County Commissioners of Baltimore County, Md.; Joseph F. Hammond, vice chairman, Board of County Commissioners, Jacksonville, Fla.; Ernest H. Hodge, chairman, public lands committee of National Association of County Officials, from California; Harry Bartel, chairman, Alameda Board of Supervisors, California; Keith L. Seegmiller, Washington representative, National Association of

County Officials; L. A. Truax, supervisor, State County Auditor's Office, State of Iowa; Leo C. Hammett, chairman, Board of Supervisors Association of California; Representatives Beall, McDonough, Kee, and Blatnik; and John D. Forsyth, county chairman, Board of Supervisors, Knox County, Nebr.; Sid J. Caillavet, county judge, Orange County, Tex.; W. H. Jensen, of Idaho; George C. Miller, county attorney, Utah; Mark S. Johnson, chairman, Board of County Commissioners, Utah; Andy Matson, chairman, Board of Supervisors, Flagstaff, Ariz.; Phil A. Isley, of Arizona; Edwin J. Regan, president, Interstate Association of Public Lands Committees, California; and Joel D. Wolfson, Associate Director, Bureau of Land Management, Department of the Interior.

HOUSE OFFICE ADDITION

Committee on Public Works: Met in executive session on H. R. 3072, plans for addition to House Office Building, and ordered the bill favorably reported to the House without amendment.

Hearing dates on the water-pollution control bills are June 11, 12, and 13.

PAPER

Select Committee on Newsprint and Paper Supply: Met and heard Samuel Gailwitz of the Clinton Paper Co., N. Y.

VETERANS

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Met in executive session and ordered favorably reported H. R. 3583, providing automobiles and other conveyances for certain disabled veterans; and H. R. 3584 with amendments, which would provide increased subsistence allowance to veterans attending school under the provisions of the Servicemen's Readjustment Act of 1944.

TAX REVISION

Committee on Ways and Means: Continued hearings on tax revision, with special reference to excise taxes on transportation, and heard Delegates Farrington and Bartlett and T. L. Preston, general solicitor, Association of American Railroads, Washington, D. C., all of whom testified on the need for modification of excise taxes on transportation of persons and property. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

REPORT ON JOINT COMMITTEE MEETINGS

LABOR

Conferees on H. R. 3020, labor bill, met but made no announcement of action. Sessions continue tomorrow.

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HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed income-tax reduction bill; House passed Agriculture appropriation bill for 1948.
Hearings concluded on information for business assistance and stream pollution bills.
Conferees on labor bill near completion on agreement.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 5915-5918

Bills Introduced: Six bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1356-S. 1361; and S. Res. 118-119.

Pages 5917, 5918, 5926-5927

Bills Reported: Bills and resolutions were reported, as follows:

S. J. Res. 117, providing for United States acceptance of amendment to the International Labor Organization constitution (S. Rept. 208);

H. R. 1412, to grant American Legion Post, No. 38, in Belzoni, Miss., reversionary interest in certain lands (S. Rept. 209);

Minority views on Treasury-Post Office appropriations bill (pt. II of S. Rept. 201); and

Report from the Joint Committee on the Reduction of Nonessential Expenditures (no report number).

Pages 5916-5917

Tax Bill: Senate passed H. R. 1, reduction of personal income taxes, 52 years to 34 years, after defeating all amendments as indicated below, and approving the bill in the form reported by the committee except for one technical amendment.

The McClellan amendment, recognizing family partnerships for income-tax purposes, was defeated 24 years to 54 years. Second amendment by Senator McClellan to raise the personal exemption to \$750 for individuals and \$1,500 for married couples was defeated 27 years to 44 years.

Senator McCarran's amendment permitting taxpayers to deduct 50 percent of their net income, or \$125,000, whichever is the lesser, for capital expenditures, was defeated 16 years to 60 years.

Amendment of Senator Lucas in the nature of a substitute increasing the personal exemption to \$600 and the married-couple exemption to \$1,200, making various changes in the surtax rates and providing that the measure should become effective January 1, 1948, was defeated 28 years to 58 years.

An amendment by Senator Fulbright to extend the benefits of community-property law, for income-tax

purposes, to the State of Arkansas, was defeated by voice vote.

Senator Pepper's amendment, making deductible the expenses of teachers incurred in pursuing a course of learning required by their profession, was defeated 37 years to 47 years.

Conference was asked of the House and the following conferees appointed: Senators Millikin, Taft, Butler, George, and Barkley.

Pages 5918-5950

Report Extension: Senate passed S. Res. 118, extending to June 15 the time for the Public Lands Committee to report in connection with S. Res. 315 of the 79th Congress regarding payments to local governments in lieu of taxes.

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Rent Control: S. 1017, continuation of rent control, was made the unfinished business.

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Lovett Nomination: Appointment of Robert A. Lovett, as Under Secretary of State, was confirmed.

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Reports on Committee Meetings

FERTILIZER

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: The following witnesses testified in favor of S. 1251, national soil fertility policy and program: John W. Sims, Ohio Farm Bureau Cooperative Association; Richard Stephens, Iowa Farm Bureau Federation; Thomas J. Hitch, Tennessee Farm Bureau Federation; Ray Sorensen, Iowa Plant Food Co.; N. J. Volk, Purdue University Agricultural Experiment Station; H. A. Praeger, Kansas State Farm Bureau; H. E. Slusher, Missouri Farm Bureau Federation; Arnold Klemme, University of Missouri; Mrs. Roy C. F. Weagly, Associated Women of the American Farm Bureau Federation; P. O. Davis, Alabama Polytechnic Institute; and H. L. Wingate, Georgia Farm Bureau.

NATIONAL DEFENSE ESTABLISHMENT

Committee on Armed Services: In executive session on S. 758, to create a National Defense Establishment, the committee tentatively agreed to transpose the positions

of titles I and II and to section 201, amended, providing for the establishment of the National Security Establishment. Committee continues tomorrow.

INTERIOR APPROPRIATION

Committee on Appropriations: Continued hearings on H. R. 3123, Interior Department appropriation bill, and heard testimony from the following witnesses: Senators Hatch, Chavez, Pepper, Ecton, Bushfield, and Holland; Representatives Stigler, Albert, Mundt, and Horan; and representatives of the National Park Service.

TEACHERS' PAY BILL

Committee on the District of Columbia: Committee unanimously approved S. 1346, D. C. teachers' pay bill.

INFORMATION FOR BUSINESS ASSISTANCE

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Committee concluded hearings on S. 493, Technical Information and Services Act, after receiving testimony in general support of the measure by Dr. Vannevar Bush, Director, Office of Scientific Research and Development; and P. J. Fedrico, testifying in behalf of Commissioner of Patents Casper W. Ooms. Dr. Bush expressed sympathy with the broad objectives, feeling that affirmative aid to small business should be centered in the Department of Commerce but that the proposal does not strike the heart of the problem which is to maintain an environment in which small business can thrive. Mr. Ooms felt the bill would fill a real need in our present complex industrial society.

ST. LAWRENCE WATERWAY

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on S. J. Res. 111, St. Lawrence Waterway, opened hearings with testimony from the following proponents: Secretary of State Marshall; former President Herbert Hoover; FPC Chairman Olds; F. L. Wilby, chairman, N. Y. Power Authority; H. C. Brockel, Milwaukee Port Director; Frank C. Barnes, Michigan-Great Lakes Tidewater Association; Julius Barnes, Duluth, Minn.; J. T. Sanders, National Grange; Mark McKee; W. C. Cowling, Detroit, Mich.; and Daniel W. Hoan, Great Lakes Harbor Association.

INTERNATIONAL AIR CARRIERS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee on Aviation heard testimony in opposition to S. 987, to consolidate the American flag international air lines, from T. E. Braniff, president, Braniff Airways, and John Slater, chairman of the board, American Overseas Airlines.

RAILROAD FINANCING

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee on S. 249, railroad financing bill, heard testimony from the following witnesses: R. J. Fletcher,

Boston & Maine Railroad; T. M. Cunningham, counsel, Georgia Central; M. P. Calloway, trustee, Georgia Central; W. C. Cocke, trustee, Seaboard Railroad; A. J. Wells, G. T. Carmichael, and J. L. Loomis, New Haven Railroad. Hearings continue tomorrow.

EXPORT CONTROL

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee received testimony generally in support of continuing export control by Martin Smith, Flour Millers' Export Association; W. D. Fox, National Grain Council; Miles H. Knowles, representing dairy interests; and Willem C. Schilthuis, vice president of the North American Export Grain Association.

CONGRESSIONAL PRIMARY INVESTIGATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee heard Senator Kern (author of resolution) and Attorney General Clark discuss S. Res. 116, to authorize investigation concerning the failure of the Department of Justice "to act with respect to alleged irregularities in the Democratic primary election held in the Fifth Congressional District of Missouri on August 6, 1946."

HEALTH LEGISLATION

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee on Health heard the following witnesses testify in favor of S. 545, to create an independent National Health Agency: John H. Hayes, American Hospital Association; Father Alphonse Schmitt, Catholic Hospital Association; Rev. John G. Martin, Protestant Hospital Association; and L. H. Schriver, M. D., president, Ohio State Medical Society. Hearings continue tomorrow.

RECLAMATION PROJECTS

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation heard Representative Elliott, of California, and Boyd Stewart, State department of agriculture, Olema, Calif., testify in support of S. 912, to exempt certain lands in Colorado, California, and Texas from land-limitation provisions of Federal reclamation laws. Committee meets again Monday.

STREAM POLLUTION

Committee on Public Works: Subcommittee on Rivers and Harbors concluded public hearings on S. 418, to provide for stream pollution control, after receiving testimony in support of the measure from Senator Barkley and Assistant Surgeon General J. K. Hoskins, Public Health Service.

SMALL BUSINESS—STEEL

Special Committee to Study Problems of American Small Business: Continuing hearings on steel shortages affecting smaller manufacturers and users, the Steel Subcommittee heard the following witnesses discuss the purchases and sales of steel and gray-market opera-

tions: William Holmquist, vice president, and R. S. Clingan, sales manager, Copperweld Steel Co., Glassport, Pa.; Ed Ray, International Mill Products Co., Chicago; James Boyle, United Nations Trading Co.,

Brooklyn; George M. Pennington, Harrisburg, Pa.; Gerald Firth, Firth-Sterling Steel Co., McKeesport, Pa.; A. R. Zapp, McKeesport, Pa.; and two handwriting experts, Fred M. Miller, FBI, and Maurice A. Nernberg.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Seventeen public bills, H. R. 3645-3661; six private bills, H. R. 3662-3667; and one resolution, H. J. Res. 210, were introduced.

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Bills Reported: Bills and a report were reported, as follows:

Supplemental Report, part II, to H. R. 673 (H. Rept. 333), repealing certain provisions authorizing the establishing of priorities in transportation by merchant vessels;

H. R. 3251, amending act of July 24, 1941 (55 Stat. 603), to authorize Naval retiring boards to consider cases of certain officers (H. Rept. 477);

H. R. 3149, permitting racially inadmissible spouses of citizen members of the U. S. armed forces, if otherwise admissible, to enter the United States under Public Law 271 (H. Rept. 478);

H. R. 3398, extending validity period of the act to facilitate the admission into the United States of alien fiancées or fiancés of members of the U. S. armed forces (H. Rept. 479);

H. R. 3629, transferring surplus property from War and Navy Departments to Panama Canal (H. Rept. 480);

H. R. 3072, authorizing preparation of preliminary plans and cost estimates for erection of addition to, and remodeling fifth floor of, Old House Office Building (H. Rept. 481);

H. R. 2314, amending the acts pertaining to lump-sum payments of deceased aviation officers (H. Rept. 482); and

H. R. 1845, amending section 371, title 10, U. S. Code, relating to military leave for Federal employees (H. Rept. 483).

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Agriculture Appropriations: In a 10½-hour session the House completed consideration of H. R. 3601, the sixth regular departmental appropriation bill in this session, granting more than \$840,000,000 to the Department of Agriculture for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1948.

By a vote of 174 yeas to 180 nays it rejected a motion to recommit the measure to increase the appropriations

by \$189,385,710, and then passed the bill by a vote of 315 yeas to 38 nays, and sent it to the Senate.

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Tax Bill: Disagreed to Senate amendments to H. R. 1, reduction of personal income taxes, agreed to conference asked, and the Speaker appointed Representatives Knutson, Reed of New York, Woodruff, Doughton, and Cooper, as managers on the part of the House.

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Reports on Committee Meetings

FEDERAL AID TO EDUCATION

Committee on Education and Labor: Continued hearings on various bills pertaining to Federal aid to education, and heard Irvin Kuenzli, executive secretary-treasurer, AFL teachers' organization; Selma Borchart, national legislative representative of AFL teachers' organization; and Eugene F. Taggart, national liaison officer, Catholic War Veterans, all of whom testified in favor of the legislation. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

PUBLICITY AND PROPAGANDA

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Publicity and Propaganda Subcommittee held hearings on Federal Government's \$75,000,000 annual expenditures for publicity and propaganda, and heard Dr. Mayhew Derryberry, chief, Office of Health Education, U. S. Public Health Service; Medical Director Herman E. Hilleboe, assistant chief, Bureau of State Services, U. S. Public Health Service; and Kenneth Pohlman, Health Services Division, Farmers Home Administration, U. S. Department of Agriculture.

NATURAL GAS ACT

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Resumed hearings on bills to amend the Natural Gas Act and heard Representative Schwabe; David T. Searls, Texas Eastern Transmission Corp., Houston, Tex.; J. J. Hedrick, Natural Gas Pipe Line Co. of America, Chicago, Ill.; F. L. Daily, attorney, Chicago District Pipe Line Co., Chicago, Ill.; Jerome Joffe, chairman, committee on electric and gas rates, National Institute of Municipal Law Officers, Washington, D. C.; and David

M. Proctor, city counselor, Kansas City, Mo. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

CLAIMS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Claims considered and agreed to report favorably eight private claims bills.

CENSUS

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Concluded hearings on H. R. 1821, business and manufactures census, and heard Ewan Clague, Commissioner, and Mrs. Aryness Wickens, Bureau of Labor Statistics; Dr. Oscar C. Stine, Assistant Chief, and R. O. Been, Department of Agriculture; H. S. Fairbank, Public Roads Administration; and Walter M. W. Splawn, Interstate Commerce Commission.

GUAM

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Territorial and Insular Possessions on bills relating to civil government for Guam, and heard Hon. Julius A. Krug, Secretary of the Interior, and John L. Sullivan, Under Secretary of the Navy, who jointly testified in favor of enactment of Organic Act for Guam; Representative Bradley of California, former Governor of Guam, who testified in support of his bill, H. R. 3563; Ex-Governor Maurice J. Tobin, of Massachusetts, a member of the Hopkins Commission; Richard H. Wels, of New York, N. Y., who recommended passage of either H. R. 2753 or H. R. 3044; and Dr. Laura Thompson, of the American Civil Liberties Union, who testified in favor of H. R. 2753.

RULES

Committee on Rules: Heard Representative Wolcott, chairman, Committee on Banking and Currency, in favor of rules making in order consideration of H. R. 3492, to provide for the expeditious disposition of certain war housing; S. 993, to provide for the reincorporation of the Export-Import Bank of Washington; H. R. 2798, to amend section 5 of the Home Owners' Loan Act of 1933; and H. R. 2799, to amend Federal Home Loan Bank Act. Resolutions providing for 1 hour of debate on H. R. 2799, H. R. 2798, and S. 993, and a resolution providing for 2 hours of debate on H. R. 3492, were ordered reported. The committee also heard Representative Mundt in favor of a rule providing for consideration of H. R. 3342, U. S. Information and Educational Exchange Act of 1947. A resolution providing for 2 hours of debate was ordered reported.

UN-AMERICAN

Committee on Un-American Activities: The committee in executive session adopted the report on the Holly-

wood investigation and then unanimously adopted the proposal of Representative Bonner that a subcommittee be appointed to investigate local 22 of the Food, Tobacco, and Agricultural Workers of the CIO, of Winston-Salem, N. C.

TAX REVISION

Committee on Ways and Means: Continued hearings on tax revision and heard Robert Ramspeck, Air Transport Association, Washington, D. C.; J. L. Newbold, American Retail Coal Association, Washington, D. C.; Frederick G. Hamley, representing the California Public Utilities Commissioners, San Francisco, Calif., who testified on the need for revision of excise tax applying to transportation of persons and property; and Joseph Clark Baldwin, New York, N. Y., who testified on the need for revision of the excise tax on vending machines. Hearings will continue tomorrow, with special reference to excise taxes on admissions.

PAPER

Select Committee on Newsprint and Paper Supply: Continued hearings on paper shortage and heard R. E. McArdle, Assistant Chief, United States Forest Service, in charge of State and private forestry, accompanied by Ray Wirka, Division of Forest Products; H. R. Josephson, Assistant Chief, Division of Forest Economics; and C. M. Granger, Assistant Chief, United States Forest Service. Mr. McArdle appraised the possibilities of increased production of newsprint from the standpoint of domestic timber supply, with particular reference to the southern pine region.

REPORT ON JOINT COMMITTEE MEETINGS

LABOR BILL

Conferees on H. R. 3020, labor bill, reached further agreement on particular sections of the bill and will meet again tomorrow to study a new print of the proposal.

The provision on injunctions by employers, contained in the House bill, was removed together with the ban on industry-wide bargaining. The health and welfare fund provisions follow substantially those of the Senate bill and will apply to all those in effect on January 1, 1946. Agreement was reached for a Federal Mediation Service. Unions, in filing information with the NLRB for recognition, must attach affidavits that officers are not Communists.

The conference report is expected to be filed over the week end. (For previous reports on the meeting of the conference, see Digest, pp. D188, 192, 197, 201, and 205.)

Thursday, May 29, 1947

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate debated rent-control extension, adopting various amendments; House authorized national potato-surplus study and passed 11 District of Columbia measures.

Senate group reached tentative agreement on National Defense Establishment bill.

Federal aid to education hearings concluded by House unit.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 6034-6040

Bills Introduced: Seven bills were introduced, as follows: S. 1362-S. 1368. Page 6035

Bills Reported: Bills were reported as follows:

H. R. 765, private relief bill (S. Rept. 210);
S. 1265, to amend D. C. Code on liability for causing death by wrongful act (S. Rept. 211); and
S. 1266, relating to admissibility of testimony (S. Rept. 212). Page 6035

Rent Control: Senate debated S. 1017, continuation of rent control, and adopted the following amendments by voice vote:

Senator Buck's, to provide for the administration of rent control by the Office of Housing Expediter and continuing the office to February 29, 1948; Senator Ellender's, permitting the eviction in certain cases of tenants from public housing; Senator McCarthy's, requiring the decontrol of at least 5 percent of the units each month; and Senator Ives', clarifying provision on transfer of rent control to the States.

Senator Hawkes' amendment, permitting a 15-percent increase in rents over the September 1, 1946, figure when tenant and landlord agree on a lease, was adopted 48 yeas to 26 nays. Pages 6040-6057

Nominations: Received the following nominations: Max M. Bulkeley, to be United States attorney in Colorado; 30 appointments in the Diplomatic and Foreign Service; and 9,212 in the Army. Pages 6057-6091

Reports on Committee Meetings

FERTILIZER

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Secretary of Agriculture Clinton P. Anderson appeared before the

committee to oppose S. 1251, national soil fertility policy and program, but stated he believed the Congress should establish a national fertilizer policy. At a subsequent date the Secretary will submit the Department's plan for such legislation. Hearings continue on Monday, June 2.

INTERIOR APPROPRIATION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on H. R. 3123, Interior Department appropriation bill, concluded 4 weeks of hearings.

NATIONAL DEFENSE ESTABLISHMENT

Committee on Armed Services: In executive session the committee concluded revising and tentatively approved an amended version of S. 758, to create a National Defense Establishment, and then agreed to meet again Wednesday, June 4, for final vote on reporting the revised bill to the Senate.

ALCOHOLIC CLINIC

Committee on the District of Columbia: Subcommittee on S. 757, to establish an Alcoholic Clinic in the District of Columbia, heard testimony from Senator Baldwin; Selden D. Bacon, chairman, Connecticut Alcoholic Commission; and Elvin Jellinek, Yale University.

ST. LAWRENCE WATERWAY

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee continued hearings on S. J. Res. 111, St. Lawrence Waterway, with testimony from the following proponents: W. C. Cowling, Detroit; North Dakota Governor Fred G. Aandahl; H. E. Ekern, Deep Waterways Commission; F. Hugh Burnes, Northern Federation Chambers of Commerce; Henry La Liberte, Cutler-Manger Co.; Under Secretary of War Kenneth Royall; and American Farm Bureau President Edward A. O'Neal.

Opposition testimony will begin June 11, but one additional session for proponents is scheduled prior to this date.

RAILROAD FINANCING

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee on S. 249, railroad financing bill, heard favorable testimony from Arthur Jansen, Barrons Magazine, and Frank B. Hand, Jr., Alabama-Georgia-Florida Railroad. Amendments to the bill were suggested by J. Harlin O'Connell, Wilbur LaRoe, and Henry K. Norton, all representing Susquehanna & Western Railroad. Subcommittee resumes hearings June 4.

On June 10, subcommittee will open hearings on S. Res. 111, to investigate restrictions on foreign travel.

VETERANS

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee on Veterans met in executive session and agreed to report to the full committee H. R. 2368, to authorize an appropriation of \$3 million as a revolving fund in lieu of \$1½ million for loans to veterans for vocational and rehabilitation purposes, without amendment; and S. 1056, to amend the Servicemen's Readjustment Act to permit adjustment of certain benefits authorized to veterans, with perfecting amendments.

The subcommittee also considered bills on veterans' subsistence and increasing ceilings for on-the-job training, but did not take any action on them. Subcommittee meets next on Wednesday, June 4.

HEALTH LEGISLATION

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Dr. Carl Flagstad and Dr. Sterling V. Mead, representing the American Dental Association, appeared before the Subcommittee on Health to support S. 545, to create an independent National Health Agency. Hearings continue Wednesday, June 4.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Seven public bills, H. R. 3668-3673 and 3678; four private bills, H. R. 3674-3677; and eight resolutions, H. Res. 220-227, were introduced. Pages 6091-6092, 6094, 6119-6120

Bills Reported: Bills and resolutions were reported, as follows:

H. Res. 220, rule providing for consideration of, and waiving all points of order on, S. 993 providing for rein-

INDIANS

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Indians met in executive session to consider various Indian bills.

SALE OF MAGNESIUM PLANT IN NEVADA

Special Committee to Investigate the National Defense Program and Surplus Property Subcommittee of the Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: The committee and subcommittee met jointly to consider the sale of the basic magnesium plant at Henderson, Nev., in which the Federal Government has \$140 million invested, and heard the following persons discuss the problem: Senators Ferguson and McCarran; WAA Administrator Robert M. Littlejohn, accompanied by other officials of the WAA; Alan B. Brown, chief counsel, and Frank T. Ronan, Director, Office of Defense Plants; Maston White, solicitor, and Harvey F. McPhail, Bureau of Reclamation, both of the Department of Interior.

It was established that it is costing the Federal Government over \$1 million a year to retain this plant and keep it in operation. Committee adjourned subject to the call of the Chair.

SMALL BUSINESS—STEEL

Special Committee to Study Problems of American Small Business: Continuing hearings on steel shortages affecting smaller manufacturers and users, the Steel Subcommittee heard David Hillstrom, Corry-Jamestown Corp., Corry, Pa.; and Arthur Boehm, Boehm Pressed Steel Co., Cleveland, discuss premiums paid on gray-market steel, withdrawals of steel companies from distribution in certain areas, and vertical integration of steel-producing companies into warehousing and fabricating functions. Herbert M. Karp explained his involvement in alleged gray-market operations. Hearings continue on Tuesday, June 3.

corporation of Export-Import Bank of Washington (H. Rept. 484);

H. Res. 221, rule providing for 1 hour general debate on H. R. 2798, amending Home Owners' Loan Act of 1933, regarding State conversion of Federal Savings and Loan Associations (H. Rept. 485);

H. Res. 222, rule providing for 1 hour general debate and waiving all points of order on H. R. 2799, amending Federal Home Loan Bank and National Housing Acts

relative to certain capital-stock retirements (H. Rept. 486);

H. Res. 223, rule providing 2 hours general debate and waiving all points of order on H. R. 3492, providing for expeditious disposal of war housing (H. Rept. 487);

H. Res. 224, rule providing for 2 hours general debate and waiving all points of order on H. R. 3342, U. S. Information and Educational Exchange Act of 1947 (H. Rept. 488);

H. Res. 225, providing for 1 hour general debate on H. J. Res. 207, International Refugee Organization bill (H. Rept. 489);

H. Res. 226, rule providing for 3 hours general debate and waiving all points of order on H. R. 2455, creating National Mineral Resources Division in the Interior Department (H. Rept. 490);

H. J. Res. 96, authorizing President to issue posthumously to late Lt. Gen. Roy S. Geiger a commission as general, U. S. Marine Corps (H. Rept. 492);

H. R. 2826, amending Civil Service Retirement Act of 1930 to provide annuities for investigatory personnel of 20 years' service in the FBI (H. Rept. 493);

Pursuant to H. Res. 111, investigation by Committee on Education and Labor on work stoppages arising out of jurisdictional disputes in AFL building trades in northern New Jersey (H. Rept. 494); and

H. R. 3678, War Department appropriations bill for 1948 (H. Rept. 495).

Pages 6091-6092, 6094, 6119

Tax Bill: Conferees filed a report (H. Rept. 491), on H. R. 1, reduction of personal income taxes.

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Wool Bill: House insists on its amendments to S. 814, wool support bill, agrees to conference asked, and the Speaker appointed Representatives Hope, August H. Andresen, Johnson of Illinois, Hill, Flannagan, Cooley, and Pace as managers on the part of the House.

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Potato Surplus: Considered and agreed to H. Res. 166, authorizing Committee on Agriculture to study national potato surplus.

Pages 6096-6105

Home Rule: Considered and agreed to H. Res. 195, authorizing the Committee on the District of Columbia to study District reorganization and home rule.

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District of Columbia: Pursuant to a previous order entered into, the following bills from the District of Columbia Committee were considered, and passed—

Parole Board: H. R. 494, as amended, creating a D. C. Board of Parole.

Life Insurance: H. R. 1633, amending D. C. Life Insurance Regulation Act to permit benefit payments to

administrators of insured persons wherein named beneficiary predeceases such named insured.

Roadbed Sale: H. R. 1893, authorizing roadbed sale, E Street SW., between Twelfth and Thirteenth Streets.

Police Band: H. R. 2470, authorizing establishment of a band in the Metropolitan Police force.

White House Police: S. 1022, as amended (in lieu of H. R. 2947), authorizing an adequate White House Police force.

Code Procedure: H. R. 3235, as amended, amending the D. C. Code with respect to abandonment of condemnation procedure.

Bribery: H. R. 3515, as amended, relating to bribery in athletic contests.

Public Ceremonies: H. R. 3547, as amended, authorizing funds for public ceremonies in the District of Columbia.

Methodist Home: H. R. 3604, authorizing the D. C. Methodist Home to make certain changes in its certificate of incorporation with respect to stated objects.

Teachers' Salaries: H. R. 3611, as amended, regulating salaries of teachers, school officers, and other employees of the D. C. Board of Education.

Pages 6105-6119

Reports on Committee Meetings

FARM PROGRAM

Committee on Agriculture: Held hearings on long-range farm program and heard M. D. Ronald, publisher, Daily Republic, Richmond, S. Dak., and Noble Clark, associate director, agriculture experiment station, University of Wisconsin.

MILITARY

Committee on Armed Services: Retirement Subcommittee completed hearings on H. R. 2744, Army Vitalization and Retirement Equalization Act of 1946.

Organization Subcommittee held hearings on H. R. 3471, to authorize leases of real and personal property, and heard Under Secretary of War Kenneth Royall and Hudson Cox, General Counsel for the Navy Department, both of whom testified in favor of the bill. Subcommittee ordered the bill, with an amendment, favorably reported to the full committee.

RECONSTRUCTION FINANCE CORPORATION

Committee on Banking and Currency: Continued hearings on continuation of RFC and heard John D. Goodloe, Chairman, Reconstruction Finance Corporation, who testified on nonwar loans and investments. Hearings will be continued next week.

FEDERAL AID TO EDUCATION

Committee on Education and Labor: Subcommittee on Education completed hearings on various bills pertaining to Federal aid to education, and heard M. D. Collins, State Superintendent of Schools, Atlanta, Ga.; Willard E. Givens, executive secretary, National Education Association; and Mrs. Eugene Meyer, social problems, Washington Post, all of whom testified in favor of the legislation.

FOREIGN AFFAIRS

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Met in executive session on committee reorganization and, in addition to the existing subcommittees dealing with the geographical areas, authorized the chairman to constitute at least six subcommittees along functional lines; and any other subcommittees that may become necessary. The titles and principal areas of jurisdiction will be as follows:

1. Subcommittee on National Security: Robert B. Chipfield, Ill., chairman—To deal with all matters affecting our foreign relations that concern questions of national security, including armaments, bases, and other military factors, and the operation of our high strategy generally;

2. Subcommittee on Foreign Economic Policy: John M. Vorys, Ohio, chairman—To deal with the protection of all American economic interests abroad of every type and to consider and review a program covering all methods of extending foreign aid or loans on the basis of a study of requirements and the capacities of other countries, both to assist and to repay;

3. Subcommittee on Information and Communication: Karl E. Mundt, South Dakota, chairman—To deal with the international problems of transportation, communications, education, and the exchange of information, including the problem of central intelligence;

4. Subcommittee on State Department Organization and Personnel: Bartel J. Jonkman, Michigan, chairman—To deal with the loyalty and adequacy of all personnel and instruments of foreign policy under the control of the United States, and especially the State Department and the Foreign Service;

5. Subcommittee on National and International Movements: Frances P. Bolton, Ohio, chairman—To deal with movements devoted to the improvement of health, welfare, and social problems; as well as those aspects of communism, fascism, nationalism, and the growth of political ideas basically affecting international relations;

6. Subcommittee on International Organizations and Law: Lawrence H. Smith, Wisconsin, chairman—To deal with the development of the United Nations, and other major forms of international organization, including the development of international law;

The committee authorized the organization of a staff in accordance with the Legislative Reorganization Act of 1946 under a staff director, Dr. W. Y. Elliott, of Harvard University, and the appointment of Mr. Boyd Crawford as the administrative officer for the committee.

NATURAL GAS ACT

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Continued public hearings on bills to amend the Natural Gas Act and heard Judge Robert M. Morgan, assistant director of law, city of Cleveland, Ohio; Representatives Worley, Lyle, Rizley, and Zimmerman; Charles S. Thomas, corporation counsel, city of Rockford, Ill.; Joseph Pursglove, Jr., vice president, Pittsburgh Consolidated Coal Co.; John M. Crimmins, law department, Koppers Co., Inc., Pittsburgh, Pa.; James W. Haley, attorney, National Coal Association, Washington, D. C.; John Schreiber, executive secretary, Eastern States Retail Dealers Conference, New York, N. Y.; John E. Benton, National Association of Railroad & Utilities Commissioners, Washington, D. C.; and Hon. Nelson Lee Smith, Chairman, Federal Power Commission.

EVACUATION CLAIMS COMMISSION

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 2 conducted public hearings on H. R. 2768, to create an Evacuation Claims Commission under the general supervision of the Secretary of the Interior to adjudicate claims of Japanese evacuated during the war, and heard Hon. Oscar L. Chapman, Under Secretary of the Interior, Washington, D. C.; Dillon S. Myer, former Director, War Relocation Authority, now Commissioner, Federal Public Housing Authority, Washington, D. C.; Representative Engle; Hito Okada, national president, Japanese-American Citizens League, Salt Lake City, Utah; Professor Leonard Bloom, University of California, Los Angeles, Calif.; Elmer J. Hewitt, vice president, Meat and Cannery Workers Union, Local No. 56, AFL; Rev. F. Nelsen Schlegel, Evangelical and Reformed Church, Washington, D. C.; Mike M. Hasaoka, national legislative director, Japanese-American Citizens League, antidiscrimination committee, Washington, D. C.; and Malcolm E. Pitts, Department of the Interior, formerly with War Relocation Authority.

FBI RETIREMENT

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Met in executive session and ordered favorably reported H. R. 2826, FBI retirement bill.

INDIANS—MINING

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Indian Affairs held hearings on H. R. 3372, authorizing certain agreements with respect to rights in helium-bearing gas

lands in the Navajo Indian Reservation, N. Mex., and H. R. 3173, relative to restrictions applicable to Indians of the Five Civilized Tribes of Oklahoma, and heard Purl Willis, San Diego, Calif., speaking as an individual in favor of H. R. 3372; Roscoe A. Cattell, Chief, Petroleum and Natural Gas Division, Bureau of Mines, Department of the Interior, who also testified in favor of H. R. 3372; Representative Stigler, who testified in favor of his bill, H. R. 3173; John H. Provinse, Assistant Commissioner, Office of Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior, who stated no objection to H. R. 3173. Both bills were ordered reported to full committee; H. R. 3173 as amended.

Subcommittee on Mines and Mining held hearings on H. R. 3022, Mineral Leasing Act for Acquired Lands; H. R. 3106, amending Organic Act of United States Geological Survey; and H. R. 2354, revesting and reconveying certain lands under the mineral land laws, and heard Jacob N. Wasserman, Chief Counsel, Bureau of Land Management, who gave views of the Department of the Interior on H. R. 3022; Representative Barrett, who testified on behalf of his bill, H. R. 3022; John Sieker, United States Forest Service, Department of Agriculture, who testified on H. R. 3022; Peter Q. Nyce, attorney, Washington, D. C., representing independent oil companies in favor of H. R. 3022; and Herbert J. Slaughter, Assistant Solicitor, Department of the Interior, on H. R. 3022; Julian D. Sears, administrative geologist, Department of the Interior, who testified in favor of H. R. 3106, Representative Ellsworth, who gave testimony on his bill, H. R. 2354; and Jacob N. Wasserman, who gave the views of the Department of the Interior on H. R. 2354. H. R. 3106, H. R. 3022, with amendments, and H. R. 2354, with amendments, were ordered favorably reported to the full committee.

RULES

Committee on Rules: Heard Representative Vorys in favor of a resolution making in order consideration of H. J. Res. 207, providing for membership and participation by the United States in the International Refugee Organization and authorizing an appropriation therefor. A resolution providing 2 hours of debate was ordered reported. The committee also heard Representatives Short, Crawford, Murdock, and Rockwell in favor of a resolution providing consideration of H. R. 2455, to establish within the Department of the Interior a National Minerals Resources Division. A resolution waiving points of order and providing 3 hours of general debate was ordered reported.

TAX REVISION

Committee on Ways and Means: Continued hearings on general tax revisions, and heard Representative San-

born; Theodore Gamble, chairman of the board, American Theatre Association, New York, N. Y.; Julian Brylawski, Motion Picture Theatre Owners of America, New Haven, Conn.; and A. Brady McSwigan, president, National Association Amusement Parks, Pools and Beaches, Pittsburgh, Pa., all of whom recommended revisions on admission taxes. Hearings will be continued next week.

REPORT ON JOINT COMMITTEE MEETINGS LABOR BILL

Conferees on H. R. 3020, labor bill, reached agreement and expect to file a conference report Monday, June 2. (For previous reports on the meeting of the conference, see Digest, pp. D188, 192, 197, 201, 205, and 217.)

INCOME-TAX REDUCTION

Conferees on H. R. 1, to provide for individual income-tax reduction, in executive session to compromise the differences between the House- and Senate-passed versions of that bill, reached an agreement to file a conference report (H. Rept. 491), providing that all of the Senate amendments to H. R. 1 be accepted, with the exception that the Senate amendment, which decreased the 20 percent reduction on income up to \$302,396 allowed by the House to 15 percent from \$79,729 up to \$302,396, was modified so that a 20 percent tax reduction would be allowed on all income up to approximately \$137,000, and 15 percent from the \$137,000 up to \$302,396. (For details on Senate amendments to the House-passed version on H. R. 1, see Digest, pp. D158 and D214.)

The House is expected to act on the conference report on Monday, June 2.

BILLS SIGNED BY THE PRESIDENT

(New Laws)

(For last listing of public laws, see p. D209)

H. R. 193, to amend Mineral Leasing Act to provide that 37½ percent of the royalties and sales shall go to Alaska and the States concerned. Signed May 27, 1947 (P. L. 77);

H. R. 1584, authorizing operation of a museum on Fort Hall Reservation, Idaho. Signed May 27, 1947 (P. L. 78); and

H. R. 2123, to fix the compensation of locomotive inspectors. Signed May 27, 1947 (P. L. 79).

Monday, June 2, 1947

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed bills on extension of rent control, Treasury-Post Office appropriations, and ILO amendment; House adopted conference report on personal income-tax bill and passed 47 measures.

Senate groups acted on judicial nominations, memorial and private claims measures, and Maryland contested-election report.

President's Reorganization Plan No. 2 disapproved by House unit; hearings started on Federal employees' loyalty bill.

See tables on Congressional Activity and Appropriations.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 6120-6124

Bills Introduced: Four bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1369-S. 1372, S. J. Res. 122, and S. Res. 120. *Page 6122*

Bills Reported: Bills were reported as follows:

S. 851 and H. R. 888, private relief bills (S. Repts. 213 and 214, respectively);

S. 1125, relating to D. C. property exemption (S. Rept. 215); and

S. 1346, to fix the salaries of D. C. teachers (S. Rept. 216). *Page 6122*

Bills Referred: The following House-passed bills were referred to the Committee on the District of Columbia: H. R. 494, 1633, 1893, 2470, 3235, 3515, 3547, 3604, and 3611. (For passage in House, see Digest, p. D220.) *Pages 6122-6123*

Bills Re-Refered: S. 1325, to encourage employment of veterans with service-connected disabilities, was referred to the Committee on Labor and Public Welfare, and the Committee on Finance, to which it was originally referred, was discharged from further consideration. *Page 6122*

Oil and Gas Compact: Both Houses received Presidential message (H. Doc. 288) transmitting a copy of an agreement executed by 16 States, to extend for 4 years from September 1, 1947, the interstate compact to conserve oil and gas. In the Senate this was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. *Pages 6124, 6179*

Rent Control: Senate passed by voice vote H. R. 3203, continuation of rent control, after taking the following action:

Reconsidered and rejected the McCarthy amendment, adopted May 29, requiring decontrol of 5 percent of rental areas each month; adopted by voice vote Senator Holland's amendment on maintenance of action for alleged past violations; the language of the Senate bill, S. 1017, was then adopted in lieu of title II of the House bill; by division vote adopted the proposal of Senator Buck to amend title I restoring administration of rent control to the Housing Expediter; Senator Knowland's amendment, adopted by voice vote, provides continuance of the permit system for amusement or recreation projects and commercial projects other than housing; Senator McClellan's amendment was adopted by voice vote, and would exclude from the controls construction in connection with State fairs; Senator Cain's amendment on veterans' preference for housing was adopted by voice vote; Senator Cordon's amendment, providing funds for building access roads to timber, was adopted by voice vote; Senator Taylor's amendment, to continue rent control as presently existing until June 30, 1948, was defeated 16 yeas to 58 nays; Senator Kilgore's effort to revert to Senator Hawkes' amendment, adopted May 29 and providing for 15 percent increase in rent when tenant and landlord agree on a lease, was defeated by voice vote; Senator Connally's amendment to exempt certain housing completed after March 1, 1947, was agreed to without objection.

A conference was asked of the House and the following conferees appointed: Senators Buck, McCarthy, Cain, Fulbright, and Taylor. *Pages 6125-6145*

Treasury-Post Office: Senate passed H. R. 2436, Treasury-Post Office appropriations bill, proposing a total of \$3,243,045,173. Committee amendments were adopted as reported, as well as two other amendments

authorizing a study and report to Congress, by the Joint Committee on Internal Revenue Taxation on employees necessary to obtain maximum tax returns, and a management study of the Bureau of Customs by an undesignated agency, were approved.

Pages 6145-6149

ILO Amendment: S. J. Res. 117, providing U. S. acceptance of the amendment to the constitution of the International Labor Organization was also approved.

Pages 6124-6125, 6149-6154

Nominations: Received the following nominations: Charles Oliphant, to be Assistant General Counsel of the Bureau of Internal Revenue; Col. Dwight F. Johns, to be president of the California Debris Commission; together with 71 post-office appointments and 48 in the Public Health Service.

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Reports on Committee Meetings

FERTILIZER

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: The following witnesses were heard in opposition to S. 1251, national soil fertility policy and program: Ralph B. Douglass, vice president, Smith-Douglass Co., Norfolk, and chairman of the executive committee, American Plant Food Council; Charles E. Heinrichs, Virginia-Carolina Corp., Richmond; O. C. Metzger, president, and H. S. Ten-Eyck, vice president, Iowa-Conda Phosphate & Chemical Co., Perry, Iowa. Hearings continue tomorrow.

STATE, JUSTICE, COMMERCE APPROPRIATION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee opened hearings on H. R. 3311, State, Justice, Commerce appropriations bill, with testimony from Commerce Secretary W. Averell Harriman and Under Secretary Foster.

BANK HOLDING COMPANIES

Committee on Banking and Currency: In open hearings on S. 829, to provide for control and regulation of bank holding companies, the committee heard Ben DuBois and Robert S. Beasley, Independent Bankers Association, favor the bill; and Ellery C. Huntington, Jr., president of the Morris Plan Corp. of America, and Arthur J. Morris, former president, oppose the bill. Ethelbert Warfield, of Satterlee, Warfield & Stevens, filed a statement in opposition. Subcommittee meets tomorrow to hold hearing on tin.

ARMED SERVICE PERSONNEL DOWNGRADING

Committee on Civil Service: Subcommittee investigating military personnel downgrading heard Admiral Paul N. Nibecker, Commander Louis E. Schmidt, and Charles Piozet, civilian personnel, all of the Navy Department, discuss the grading of employees and staffing

pattern as applied by the Navy Department. Arthur E. Clark, Signal Corps of the War Department, and Ismar Baruch, classification division, Civil Service Commission, also discussed downgrading problems.

OIL AGREEMENTS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Opened hearings on Anglo-American oil agreements (Executive H, 79th) with testimony from Under Secretary of State Dean Acheson and Dr. Charles Rayner, also of the State Department.

INTERNATIONAL AIR CARRIERS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: C. R. Smith, chairman of the board, American Airlines, and John E. Slater, chairman of the board, American Overseas Airlines, testified in opposition to S. 987, to consolidate American flag international air lines. Lt. Comdr. Langdon Marvin discussed the measure impartially. Hearings continue tomorrow.

AIR CRASHES

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Committee authorized Subcommittee on Aviation to use technical personnel for investigation of civil air crashes.

JUDICIAL NOMINATIONS AND PRIVATE CLAIMS

Committee on the Judiciary: In executive session the committee approved the following nominations for reporting to the Senate: Representative Thomason, to be district judge for the western district of Texas; Anton J. Lukaszewicz, to be marshal for the eastern district of Wisconsin; and Albert V. Bryan, to be U. S. district judge for the eastern district of Virginia.

The committee approved eight private claims bills (S. 358, with amendment; H. R. 620, H. R. 1065, H. R. 811, with amendment; H. R. 360, H. R. 723, H. R. 2257, and S. 1032, with amendment). One private bill was referred to the Court of Claims (S. 708). The committee indefinitely postponed consideration of S. J. Res. 26, to amend the Constitution to provide for the election of Representatives for 4-year terms of office.

RECLAMATION PROJECTS

Committee on Public Lands: Senator Downey testified before the Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation in support of S. 912, to exempt certain lands in Colorado, California, and Texas from land-limitation provisions of Federal reclamation laws.

MEMORIALS

Committee on Rules and Administration: In executive session, committee approved the following resolutions:

S. J. Res. 112, to establish commission to draw plans for erecting a Marine Corps memorial in Chicago; S. J. Res. 113, to erect memorial in D. C. to Marine Corps; and H. J. Res. 188, to erect memorial in D. C. to the 1st Infantry Division, World War II.

The committee also approved original resolution with respect to matter offered for printing in the body of the Record, so that such matter will be distinguishable from speeches delivered on the floor of the Senate.

MARYLAND CONTESTED ELECTION

Committee on Rules and Administration: By a vote of 7 to 5, committee accepted the Subcommittee on Privileges and Elections' report on its examination of each of the 6,624 disputed ballots in the recently completed five-counties recount in the Maryland senatorial election contest. This report sets forth a pattern to be followed by challengers for both sides in the recount ordered recently by the subcommittee in the 17 remaining counties of Maryland.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Fourteen public bills, H. R. 3679-3692; seven private bills, H. R. 3693-3699; and one resolution, H. J. Res. 211, were introduced.

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Bills Reported: Bills were reported as follows:

H. R. 1148, authorizing the issuance of a patent in fee to Spencer Burgess Doyle (H. Rept. 496);

H. R. 1380, amending laws relating to the payment of 6 months' death gratuity to dependents of naval personnel (H. Rept. 497);

H. R. 3583, authorizing payments by Veterans' Affairs Administrator on the purchase of automobiles or other conveyances by certain disabled veterans (H. Rept. 498);

H. Con. Res. 49, expressing disapproval of Reorganization Plan No. 2, of May 1, 1947, transmitted to the Congress by the President (H. Rept. 499);

H. R. 3138, providing for periodic audit of records of the accountable officers of the House of Representatives and the Senate (H. Rept. 500);

H. R. 1974, providing for protection of forests against destructive insects and diseases (H. Rept. 501); and

H. R. 2298, amending the Interstate Commerce Act relating to procedure of railroads not in bankruptcy which may, under specified circumstances, alter or modify their debt obligations (H. Rept. 502).

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Tax Bill: By a roll call vote of 220 yeas to 99 nays, adopted the conference report on H. R. 1, reduction of personal income taxes.

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Export-Import Bank: Considered and passed S. 993, providing for reincorporation of Export-Import Bank of Washington after adopting H. Res. 220, rule providing for its consideration.

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Savings and Loan Associations: Considered and passed H. R. 2798, as amended, thereby amending Home Owners' Loan Act of 1933, regarding State conversion of Federal savings and loan associations, after adopting H. Res. 221, rule providing for 1 hour general debate.

Pages 6207-6208

Capital-Stock Retirements: Considered and passed H. R. 2799, as amended, thereby amending Federal Home Loan Bank and National Housing Acts relative to certain capital-stock retirements, after adopting H. Res. 222, rule providing for 1 hour general debate and waiving all points of order.

Pages 6208-6209

Taxation: Considered and passed H. R. 2872, thereby amending section 4 of the Public Debt Act of 1941 and clarifying its application.

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Claims Prosecution: Considered and passed S. 1073 (in lieu of H. R. 3101), which extends the period of time wherein certain executive department personnel is allowed to prosecute claims against the United States.

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Holding Companies: Considered and passed H. R. 468, which amends the Internal Revenue Code in respect of distributions by personal holding companies.

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Consent Calendar: Considered and passed the following bills on its Consent Calendar:

H. R. 1556, as amended, providing basic authority for performance of certain functions of the Bureau of Reclamation.

H. R. 174, as amended, amending act providing for civil government of Alaska, thereby permitting gold and precious-metal exploration of navigable streams therein.

H. R. 2229, amending act of June 25, 1938, relating to appointment of postmasters under civil service.

H. R. 673, repealing certain provisions authorizing the establishment of priorities in transportation by merchant vessels.

H. R. 1054, making permanent the additional district judgeship for the eastern and western districts of Missouri.

H. R. 2097, declaring the ownership of timber allotments on the Northern Cheyenne Indian Reservation, and to authorize the sale thereof.

H. R. 3001, as amended, providing further safeguards to the issuance of passports.

H. R. 577, as amended, preserving historic graveyards in abandoned military posts.

H. R. 981, amending act of January 2, 1942, relating to the refund of taxes illegally paid by Indian citizens.

S. 583 (in lieu of H. R. 1831), authorizing exchanges of lands acquired by the United States for the Silver Creek recreational project, Oregon, to consolidate holdings thereon.

H. R. 3143, as amended, authorizing construction and maintenance of Paonia Federal reclamation project in Colorado.

H. R. 1882, for expenditure of funds for cooperation with school board, Walker, Minn., extending public-school facilities to all Indian children in that district.

H. R. 2207, as amended, authorizing Secretary of the Interior to convey certain lands within Shiloh National Military Park, Tenn.

H. R. 2545, as amended, providing funds for cooperation with the school board of Moclips-Aloha District to construct a school building in Moclips, Wash., for Indian and non-Indian children.

H. R. 2655, authorizing Secretary of Interior to grant city of Baltimore, Md., a permanent easement for installation of two subterranean water mains across lands of Fort McHenry National Monument, Md.

H. R. 2276, as amended, authorizing expenses of United States Army participation in the next and future Olympic games.

H. R. 3124, as amended, authorizing attendance of the United States Marine Band at 81st national encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic.

H. R. 1628, relinquishing to the State of Illinois interest in certain lands comprising the right-of-way of the Illinois & Michigan Canal.

H. R. 195, authorizing the Secretary of War to sell certain lands in Alaska to the city of Sitka, Alaska.

H. R. 3215, as amended, revising the medical departments of the Army and the Navy.

H. R. 1379, establishing the United States Naval Postgraduate School.

H. R. 2693, for the relief of Public Utility District No. 1 of Cowlitz County, Wash.

S. 565, amending section 3539 of the Revised Statutes relative to taking trial pieces of coins.

S. 566, amending section 3539 of the Revised Statutes in respect to deviations in standards and weights of silver coins.

H. R. 325, transferring Blair County, Pa., from middle judicial to western judicial district of Pennsylvania.

H. R. 3151, granting land and water rights in Clark County to the city of Las Vegas, Nev.

H. R. 3197, increasing construction cost and extending repayment period to the United States by the Mancos water conservation district by authority of the Secretary of the Interior.

S. J. Res. 115, as amended (in lieu of H. J. Res. 196), authorizing the Administrator of Veterans' Affairs to continue and establish offices in the Republic of the Philippines.

H. R. 2857, extending second-class mailing privileges to State fish and game department bulletins.

H. R. 310, authorizing the Secretary of War to permit delivery of water from District of Columbia or Arlington County water systems to Falls Church or other systems in the metropolitan area of the District of Columbia in Virginia.

H. R. 1714, as amended, excluding certain interns, nurses, and other student-employees in Federal hospitals from the Classification Act and other laws relating to benefits of Federal employees.

H. R. 3587, clarifying the national policy relating to aviation by establishment of a National Aviation Council.

H. R. 3448, amending the Federal Home Loan Bank Act, so as to permit Federal home loan banks to accept mortgages of not more than 25 years' maturity as mortgage collateral for advances to member institutions.

H. R. 2800, as amended, amending Home Owners Loan Act of 1933, liberalizing provisions of loans made by Federal Savings and Loan Associations.

S. 640, as amended, authorizing Secretary of Commerce to sell Weather Bureau property at East Lansing, Mich., to Michigan State College.

H. R. 2005, amending act of April 21, 1932 (47 Stat. 88), authorizing 15-year lease extensions and renewals on lands containing coal and asphalt deposits owned by Choctaw and Chickasaw Indian Nation in Oklahoma.

H. R. 2411, authorizing patenting of certain lands to Public Hospital District No. 2, Clallam County, Wash., for hospital purposes.

H. R. 2852, providing for addition of certain surplus Government lands to Otter Creek recreational demonstration area, Kentucky.

H. J. Res. 167, recognizing uncompensated services rendered the Nation under the Selective Service Act of 1940, as amended.

H. R. 3629 (called up by unanimous consent), transferring of surplus property from the War and Navy Departments to the Panama Canal. *Pages 6180-6196*

Presidential Message: For details of oil-conservation compact message from the President, see Senate Chamber Action, this Digest. Referred to House Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce. *Page 6179*

Reports on Committee Meetings

MILITARY

Committee on Armed Services: Personnel Subcommittee met in executive session on H. R. 2536 and H. R. 2537, Army and Navy promotion bills.

Pay and Administration Subcommittee held hearings on H. R. 3254 and H. R. 3174, increased pay for doctors, and heard Secretary of the Navy James Forrestal; Secretary of War Robert Patterson; and Gen. Norman T. Kirk, all of whom testified in favor of the bills.

Full committee will hold hearings tomorrow on H. R. 2313, foreign missions bill, to hear General Marshall.

RECONSTRUCTION FINANCE CORPORATION

Committee on Banking and Currency: Resumed hearings on continuation of RFC and heard John D. Goodloe, Chairman, Reconstruction Finance Corporation.

Committee also held executive session on commemorative coins.

REORGANIZATION

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Met in executive session and ordered submitted to the House a report expressing disapproval of Reorganization Plan No. 2 of May 1, 1947, transmitted to Congress by the President, and recommending passage of H. Con. Res. 49.

AVIATION—CANCER—SECURITIES

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Met in open session and heard Representative Howell, sponsor of H. R. 3509 and H. R. 3510, construction of airport in Alaska; Representative Sabath, sponsor of H. R. 3594, to prohibit communication of false information with respect to securities in certain cases; and Representative Wolverton, sponsor of H. R. 3257, to create a National Cancer Research Commission.

Committee also held executive session for discussion of aviation matters.

SEAMEN'S BILL OF RIGHTS

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Subcommittee on Ship Construction and Operation and

Maritime Labor continued hearings on H. R. 476, to extend certain benefits to merchant seamen, and heard James V. McCandless, Assistant to Commissioner, Maritime Commission; and other representatives of the Commission. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

VETERANS' PREFERENCE

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Vursell subcommittee held hearings on H. R. 739, veterans' preference, and heard Admiral P. B. Nibbecker, Navy Department; Elroy Halbeck, National Association of Post Office Clerks; Millard Rice, DAV; and C. M. Harvey, Railway Mail Service, all of whom testified against the bill; Herbert Jacobi, American Legion; John C. Williamson, VFW; and Chat Patterson, AVC, all of whom testified in favor of the bill.

RECLAMATION—GUAM

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation held hearings on H. R. 1597, to relocate boundaries, and reduce area of Gila reclamation project, and heard E. D. Eaton, Bureau of Reclamation, Department of the Interior; State Senator Hugo B. Farmer, Yuma County, Arizona Legislature; and R. H. McElhane, farm owner and operator.

Subcommittee on Territorial and Insular Possessions held hearings on various bills on government of Guam, and heard John W. Hildring, Assistant Secretary of State; and Harold L. Ickes, former Secretary of the Interior. Mr. Ickes suggested that civil rule be granted for Guam and Samoa.

BILLS SIGNED BY THE PRESIDENT

(New Laws)

(For last listing of public laws, see p. D222)

H. R. 3029, to provide for the preparation of plans for D. C. courthouse. Signed May 29, 1947 (P. L. 80);

H. R. 236, to permit naturalization proceedings to be held at places other than the office of the clerk of the court. Signed May 31, 1947 (P. L. 81);

H. R. 603, to extend service credits to members of the merchant marine during World War II for home-stead-entry purposes. Signed May 31, 1947 (P. L. 82);

H. R. 1844, authorizing the Veterans' Administrator to grant certain easements. Signed May 31, 1947 (P. L. 83);

H. J. Res. 153, providing \$350 million for relief assistance to the people of countries devastated by war. Signed May 31, 1947 (P. L. 84); and

S. 854, to authorize \$35 million for unfinished housing units. Signed May 31, 1947 (P. L. 85).

Résumé of Congressional Activity

The following tables on nominations and legislative activity run monthly in the Daily Digest.

The first table accounts for all nominations submitted to the Senate by the President for Senate confirmation, a total of 26,388 having been received, of which 16,012 have been confirmed, as set forth below.

The second table gives a comprehensive résumé of all legislative business transacted by the House and Senate during this session, January 3, 1947, through May 31, 1947.

DISPOSITION OF EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS THROUGH MAY 31, 1947

Postmaster nominations, totaling 780, disposed of as follows:

Confirmed.....	None
Withdrawn.....	11
Rejected.....	None
Unconfirmed.....	769

Army nominations, totaling 14,609, disposed of as follows:

Confirmed.....	5,354
Withdrawn.....	None
Rejected.....	None
Unconfirmed.....	9,255

Navy nominations, totaling 9,584, disposed of as follows:

Confirmed.....	9,385
Withdrawn.....	None
Rejected.....	None
Unconfirmed.....	199

Marine Corps nominations, totaling 613, disposed of as follows:

Confirmed.....	613
Withdrawn.....	None
Rejected.....	None
Unconfirmed.....	None

Civilian nominations other than postmasters, totaling 802, disposed of as follows:

Confirmed.....	660
Withdrawn.....	3
Rejected.....	None
Unconfirmed.....	139

Summary

Total nominations received.....	26,388
Total rejected.....	None
Total withdrawn.....	14
Total unconfirmed.....	10,362
Total confirmed.....	16,012

DATA ON LEGISLATIVE ACTIVITY

January 3 through May 31

	Senate	House	Total
Days in session.....	84	85	..
Time in session.....	442 hrs., 20'	346 hrs., 43'	..
Average length of each day's session.....	5.3 hrs.	4.1 hrs.	..
Congressional Record:			
Pages of proceedings.....	3,329	2,943	6,272
Appendix.....	..	..	2,718
Bills enacted into law.....	30	55	85
Average number of days to enactment of each bill, from introduction to President's signature.....	..	..	74
Bills in conference.....	..	..	5
Bills through conference.....	..	..	13
Measures passed, total.....	234	360	..
Senate bills.....	86	130	..
House bills.....	54	189	..
Senate joint resolutions.....	19	10	..
House joint resolutions.....	14	18	..
Senate concurrent resolutions.....	2	2	..
House concurrent resolutions.....	4	4	..
Simple resolutions.....	55	107	162
Measures reported, total.....	273	457	..
Senate bills.....	118	21	..
House bills.....	58	317	..
Senate joint resolutions.....	19	5	..
House joint resolutions.....	14	31	..
Senate concurrent resolutions.....	3	1	..
House concurrent resolutions.....	4	2	..
Simple resolutions.....	57	80	137
Special reports.....	10	28	..
Conference reports.....	..	..	10
Reported measures not acted on.....	36	138	..
Bills defeated.....	0	1	..
Measures introduced, total.....	1,624	4,154	5,778
Bills.....	1,368	3,667	5,035
Joint resolutions.....	121	210	331
Concurrent resolutions.....	16	50	66
Simple resolutions.....	119	227	346
Quorum calls.....	180	26	206
Yea-and-nay votes.....	75	42	117

*This figure includes all measures placed on calendar or acted on by Senate even if there was no accompanying report. A total of 212 reports has been filed in the Senate; a total of 495 has been filed in the House.

**This figure does not agree with the total difference between bills reported and bills passed, because resolutions and bills placed on the House Calendar without having been formally reported were not included in figures of measures reported to the House; the difference of three in the case of Senate figures is due to uncounted bills "laid on the table."

†Thirteen of these were passed in lieu of companion House bills, which were "laid on the table."

STATUS OF APPROPRIATION BILLS

Bill No.	Title	Budget estimates	House			Senate			Public law		
			Date reported	Amount as reported	Date passed	Date reported	Amount as reported	Date passed	Date approved	Amount as approved	Law No.
H. R. 2436	Treasury-Post Office, 1948.....	\$4,099,123,500	Mar. 7	\$3,202,050,750	Mar. 11	May 26	\$3,242,845,173	..	..	..	..
H. R. 1968	Urgent deficiency, 1947.....	2,554,034,250	Feb. 17	1,671,317,500	Feb. 18	Feb. 28	1,710,506,523	Mar. 5	Mar. 22	\$179,645,668	20
H. R. 2700	Recission, Contracts.....	1,945,089,250	Mar. 21	1,530,733,250	Mar. 25	Apr. 28	1,532,338,650	May 5	..	132,000,000	..
H. J. Res. 159	Labor-Federal Security, 1948.....	1,779,614,039	Mar. 26	1,684,586,780	Mar. 26	Mar. 27	1,676,198,080	Mar. 28	Mar. 29	243,255,607	25
H. R. 2849	Labor.....	103,578,700	Mar. 28	90,864,200	Apr. 1	Apr. 21	89,864,200	Apr. 24	May 1	2,835,161,599	46
H. J. Res. 154	F. S. A.	976,370,339	Mar. 21	899,045,180	Mar. 21	Mar. 24	899,045,180	Mar. 25	Mar. 27	9,000,000	22
H. R. 3123	Related agencies.....	699,665,000	Mar. 26	695,677,400	Apr. 25	May 15	695,677,400	May 16	May 26	117,438,958	76
H. R. 3245	To supply deficiencies.....	243,610,987	Mar. 26	243,255,607	Mar. 26	Mar. 27	243,255,607	..	..	..	..
H. R. 2849	First deficiency.....	3,106,566,783	Mar. 28	2,471,498,548	Apr. 1	Apr. 21	2,832,180,266	Apr. 24	..	..	..
H. J. Res. 154	Hoof-and-mouth disease.....	9,000,000	Mar. 21	9,000,000	Mar. 21	Mar. 24	9,000,000	Mar. 25	..	..	..
H. R. 3123	Interior Department, 1948.....	295,420,420	Apr. 21	156,538,513	Apr. 25	May 15	161,413,513	May 16	..	..	..
H. R. 3245	Second deficiency, 1947.....	139,528,414	Apr. 29	95,478,658	May 2	..	..	..	..	..	..
H. R. 3311	State-Justice-Commerce, 1948.....	698,621,523	May 5	535,728,008	May 15	..	..	..	..	..	..
H. R. 3311	State.....	279,537,623	..	219,128,058	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
H. R. 3311	Justice.....	111,470,000	..	108,396,500	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
H. R. 3311	Commerce.....	286,989,000	..	191,057,000	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
H. R. 3311	Judiciary.....	20,624,900	..	17,146,450	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
H. R. 3493	Navy, 1948.....	3,513,000,300	May 16	3,135,481,100	May 20	..	..	..	..	..	..
H. R. 3601	Agriculture, 1948.....	805,141,608	May 23	569,713,866	May 28	..	..	..	..	..	..
H. R. 3678	Military, 1948.....	5,716,791,500	May 29	5,240,982,423	..	..	..	..	..	..	..

Tuesday, June 3, 1947

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate adopted conference report on tax bill, clearing it for the White House, and agreed to vote on peace treaties on June 5; House completed general debate on War Establishment appropriations bill and filed conference report on labor-management relations bill.

Hearings announced on economic trends.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 6222-6227

Bills Introduced: Three bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 1373-S. 1375; and S. Res. 121.

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Bills Reported: Bills and resolutions were reported as follows:

S. 924, to credit active service in the armed forces for D. C. police and firemen's relief fund (S. Rept. 217);

S. 966, to authorize establishment of D. C. educational agency for surplus property (S. Rept. 218);

S. 1124, to amend the D. C. Boiler Inspection Act (S. Rept. 219);

S. 1191, to authorize changes in the incorporation certificate of D. C. Methodist Home (S. Rept. 220);

H. R. 1624, to authorize payment of allowances to three D. C. police inspectors for use of privately owned motor vehicles (S. Rept. 221);

H. R. 1997, to provide seniority benefits to D. C. police and firemen who are veterans of World War II (S. Rept. 222);

S. 358, to provide for settling certain indebtedness in connection with Pershing Hall in Paris, France (S. Rept. 223);

Six private relief bills—S. 1032, H. R. 620, 723, 1065, 2257, and 811 (S. Repts. 224-229, respectively);

S. J. Res. 112, to establish a commission for plans for the erection in Chicago of a Marine Corps memorial (no written report);

S. J. Res. 113, authorizing erection in D. C. of a Marine Corps memorial (no written report);

H. J. Res. 188, authorizing erection in D. C. of a memorial to the 1st Infantry Division (no written report); and

Six bills authorizing the issuance of land patent in fee to as many individuals—S. 394, 396, 397, 398, 399, and 395 (S. Repts. 230-235, respectively).

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Bills Referred: The following House-passed bills were referred to committees indicated: H. R. 174, 577, 981, 1556, 1628, 1882, 2005, 2097, 2207, 2411, 2655, 2852, 3143,

3151, and 3197 (Committee on Public Lands); H. R. 195 (Committee on Agriculture and Forestry); H. R. 310 and 2545 (placed on calendar); H. R. 325, 1054, and 2693 (Committee on the Judiciary); H. R. 468 and 2872 (Committee on Finance); H. R. 673 and 3587 (Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce); H. R. 1379, 2276, 3124, 3215, 3629, and H. J. Res. 167 (Committee on Armed Services); H. R. 1714, 2229, and 2857 (Committee on Civil Service); H. R. 2798, 2799, 2800, and 3448 (Committee on Banking and Currency); and H. R. 3001 (Committee on Foreign Relations). (For passage in House, see Digest, pp. D225-227.)

Pages 6226-6227

Peace Treaties: Senate debated the Italian Treaty of Peace. By unanimous consent it was agreed to vote at 2 p. m., June 5, on the ratification of the Treaties of Peace with Italy, Rumania, Bulgaria, and Hungary (Executive F, G, H, and I) and all motions pertaining thereto. Senator Fulbright entered a motion to postpone consideration of the Italian Treaty until January 25, 1948.

Pages 6227-6240, 6244-6259

Tax Bill: Conference Report (H. Rept. 491) on H. R. 1, reduction of personal income taxes, was approved by 48 yeas to 28 nays.

Pages 6240-6244

Confirmations: The following nominations were confirmed: Peyton Ford, as Assistant Attorney General; Robert E. Thomason, to be judge of the western district of Texas; and Albert V. Bryan, to be judge of the eastern district of Virginia.

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Reports on Committee Meetings

FERTILIZER

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Following witnesses testified in opposition to S. 1251, national soil fertility policy and program: Maurice H. Lockwood, National Fertilizer Association, Washington; Dr. G. F. MacLeod, Sunland Industries, Fresno, Calif.; Louis Ware, International Minerals and Chemical Corp., Chicago; Howard A. Parker, Sylacauga Fertilizer Co., Alabama; C. T. Prinderville, Swift & Co., Chicago; B. W. Bellinger, U. S. Phosphoric Products Division, Tennessee

Corp.; Lester E. Britton, Consolidated Rendering Co., Boston; R. P. Koos, N. S. Koos & Son Co., Kenosha, Wis.; and J. R. Simplot, Simplot Fertilizer Sales Co., Pocatello, Idaho.

STATE, JUSTICE, COMMERCE APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on H. R. 3311, State, Justice, Commerce appropriations bill, heard testimony from officials of the Census Bureau and the Civil Aeronautics Authority.

TIN

Committee on Banking and Currency: Subcommittee on rubber and tin heard the following witnesses testify in support of proposed legislation (to be introduced later) to strengthen the common defense and meet industrial needs for tin through maintenance of a domestic tin-smelting industry: Morris Levinson, Metal Reserves, and Jesse C. Johnson, both of the RFC; Karl L. Anderson, Department of State; Ethelbert Warfield, Tin Processing Corp.; Col. Niergarth, Army-Navy Munitions Board; Edward L. Beardman, Navy Department; Erwin Vogelsang and John Croston, Department of Commerce; and C. A. Ilgenfritz, vice president, United States Steel Corp.

OIL AGREEMENTS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Continued hearings on Anglo-American oil agreements (Executive H, 79th)

with favorable testimony from Charles Fahy, legal adviser, State Department; and opposition testimony from W. J. Murray, speaking for the Governor of Texas; Glenn McCarthy, oil producer; and Owen Culberson, representing Texas Railroad Commission.

INTERNATIONAL AIR CARRIERS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: James Landis, chairman of the CAB, testified in opposition to S. 987, to consolidate American flag international air lines. Hearings continue tomorrow.

SMALL BUSINESS—STEEL

Special Committee to Study Problems of American Small Business: Subcommittee on steel, studying supply and distribution affecting smaller steel manufacturers and users, heard David L. Wilkoff, of David Wilkoff Co., an exporter of steel, and J. L. Block, Inland Steel Co. of Chicago, each accompanied by officials of their staffs. Mr. Wilkoff discussed his involvement in a sale of steel to the St. Louis Boiler & Equipment Co. at excessive price; witnesses of Inland Steel told of their sales and distributions of steel.

NATIONAL DEFENSE COMMITTEE

Special Committee To Investigate the National Defense Program: Subcommittee met in executive session but made no announcement of action taken.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Twelve public bills, H. R. 3700-3711; three private bills, H. R. 3712-3714; and four resolutions, H. Res. 228-230, and H. Con. Res. 51, were introduced.

Pages 6297, 6300-6301

Bills Reported: Bills and resolutions were reported as follows:

H. R. 2167, authorizing inclusion within the Angostura water conservation project of certain lands owned by the United States (H. Rept. 503);

H. R. 2721, promoting conservation of fish and wildlife resources of the Upper Mississippi River (H. Rept. 504);

H. R. 3333, transferring the vessel *Joseph Conrad* from St. Petersburg, Fla., to Mystic, Conn., for museum purposes (H. Rept. 505);

Pursuant to H. Res. 111, investigation of the Pittsburgh beer war (H. Rept. 506).

H. R. 3049, continuing export control until June 30, 1948 (H. Rept. 507);

H. R. 3055, permitting Secretaries of War and Navy to supply utilities to persons in immediate vicinity of naval or military activities (H. Rept. 508);

H. R. 3191, extending the benefits of Missing Persons Act to certain Filipinos (H. Rept. 509);

Conference report on H. R. 3020, labor-management relations bill (H. Rept. 510); and

H. Res. 230, rule waiving all points of order against title II of H. R. 3678, Military Establishment appropriations bill (H. Rept. 511).

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Committee Referral: S. J. Res. 117, providing U. S. acceptance of the amendment to the constitution of the International Labor Organization was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

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Order of Business: Agreed to dispense with Calendar Wednesday business of Wednesday, June 4.

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Private Calendar: Considered private claims bills on the Private Calendar and took the following action:

Passed without amendment: H. R. 1152, 987, 1497, 1531, 2302, 3387, 3170, S. 135, and H. J. Res. 96.

Passed with amendment: H. R. 1742, 617, 631, 637, 837, 993, 1144, 1658, 1799, and 1851.

Passed over without prejudice: H. R. 1652, 1162, 1508, and 1148.

Objected to, and recommitted: H. R. 354, 559, and 813.

Pages 6266-6270

Military Appropriations: Spent 4 hours in general debate on H. R. 3678, a bill making appropriations for the Military Establishment for the fiscal year 1948, and read the first paragraph. This measure proposes appropriations of \$5,240,982,423, a decrease of \$475,809,077 from Budget Bureau estimates and a decrease of \$2,022,559,977 from the fiscal 1947 appropriations.

Pages 6270-6297

Reports on Committee Meetings

FARM PROGRAM

Committee on Agriculture: Resumed hearings on long-range farm program and heard C. W. Bailey, president, American Bankers Association; and John N. Thomson, chairman, subcommittee on agricultural credit of the committee on Federal legislation of the American Bankers Association. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

FOREIGN MISSIONS

Committee on Armed Services: Held hearings on H. R. 2313, foreign missions bill, and heard Gen. George C. Marshall, Secretary of State; Gen. Thomas T. Handy, U. S. A.; and Vice Admiral John L. McCrea, U. S. N., all of whom testified in support of the bill.

RECONSTRUCTION FINANCE CORPORATION

Committee on Banking and Currency: Continued hearings on continuation of RFC, with particular reference to H. R. 3268, guarantee of loans by Federal Reserve banks, and heard Hon. Marriner C. Eccles in favor of the bill, the principal purpose of which is to provide smaller businesses with necessary capital that they could not otherwise obtain. It would enable Federal Reserve banks to guarantee in part loans made by chartered banks to small business for periods up to 10 years. Hearings will continue tomorrow, with representatives of the American Bankers Association.

RFC BUILDING SPACE—SURPLUS

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Procurement and Buildings Subcommittee held hearings on methods used by the Reconstruction Finance Corporation in the procurement of building space for its own use by lending money to a private builder on condition that the building be leased to RFC, and heard

W. E. Reynolds, Commissioner of Public Buildings, who outlined the authority and functions of PBA in coordinating the procurement and management of building space for Government agencies; John D. Goodloe, Chairman, Reconstruction Finance Corporation, who presented details of loan agreement and lease option made with Jerry Maiatico for construction and lease to RFC of a new building at Connecticut Ave. and H St., NW., Washington, D. C., and presented an outline of RFC's need for space; and Frank R. Creedon, Housing Expediter, who outlined the reasons for approval of partial and then completion permits for the construction of this building. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

Surplus Property Subcommittee held hearings on general administrative policies of the War Assets Administration, and heard Col. John E. Moore, Director of Personnel, WAA; Carl New, of R. H. Macy & Co., Inc., New York; Warren A. Clohisy, Montgomery Ward & Co., Chicago; G. G. Yule, Cleveland, Ohio, formerly WAA district manager, Pittsburgh, Pa.; R. D. Wilbor, Jr., formerly with WAA, Tulsa, Okla.; and Stanley B. Adams, formerly WAA regional director, Chicago.

FOREIGN AFFAIRS

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Met in executive session on committee organization.

FASCISM

Committee on House Administration: Met on H. Res. 83, printing of a documented study and analyses of "Fascism in Action" as a House document. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

INTERSTATE

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Heard Representative Fellows in favor of H. R. 599, to declare Kenduskeag Stream, Penobscot County, Maine, to be a nonnavigable waterway. The bill was ordered favorably reported.

Committee also held executive session on pending legislation.

Chairman announced hearings by Food and Drug Subcommittee on H. R. 3128 and H. R. 3147, to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act by providing for seizure of foods, drugs, devices, and cosmetics that become adulterated or misbranded while held for sale after interstate shipment, Wednesday, June 11, at 10 a. m., 414 Old House Office Building.

ANTIMONOPOLY

Committee on the Judiciary: Met in executive session on H. R. 515, to amend sections 7 and 11 of the Clayton

Act to prohibit a corporation from acquiring physical properties of a competing corporation in restraint of trade.

SEAMEN'S BILL OF RIGHTS

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Subcommittee on Ship Construction and Operation and Maritime Labor continued hearings on H. R. 476, to extend certain benefits to merchant seamen, and heard James V. McCandless, Assistant to Commissioner, Maritime Commission, and other representatives of the Commission.

LOYALTY

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Rees subcommittee held hearings on H. R. 3588, Federal Employees' Loyalty Act of 1947, and heard Harry B. Mitchell, president, Civil Service Commission; and Arthur S. Flemming, Civil Service Commissioner, both of whom testified in opposition to the bill. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

RECLAMATION—INDIANS—PUBLIC LANDS

Committee on Public Lands: Held open session on various bills, agreed to Senate amendment to H. R. 1288, right-of-way to Roscoe L. Wood, and ordered favorably reported to the House the following: H. R. 3022, to promote mining on lands acquired by United States; H. R. 3106, to reenact and amend organic act for Geological Survey; H. R. 3173, relative to restrictions of the Five Civilized Tribes of Oklahoma; and H. R. 3372, authorizing agreements with Navajo Indians relative to helium gas.

Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation held hearings on H. R. 1597, to relocate boundaries of Gila Federal reclamation project, and heard R. W. McElhaney, farmer, Mohawk Valley; Harold J. Woodhouse, farmer, Mohawk Valley; C. B. Buckeye, farmer, Roll, Ariz.; and Frank Batley, farmer, Roll, Ariz., all of whom testified in favor of the bill.

PUBLIC WORKS

Committee on Public Works: Subcommittee on Public Buildings and Grounds met in executive session and ordered favorably reported to the full committee H. R. 2955, authorizing and directing Commissioner of Public Buildings to determine the fair market value of Fidelity Building in Kansas City, Mo., and to receive bids for the purchase thereof; and H. R. 3219, appointment of policemen for duty upon Federal property under the jurisdiction of the Federal Works Agency.

RULES

Committee on Rules: Heard Representative Engel, of Michigan, in favor of a resolution waiving points of order against title 2 of H. R. 3678, a bill making appropriations for the military establishment for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1948. The resolution was ordered reported.

VETERANS

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Met in executive session to discuss pending legislation.

TAX REVISION

Committee on Ways and Means: Continued hearings on general tax revision and heard Bligh A. Dodds, director, International Association of Fairs and Expositions, president New York State Association of Agricultural Fairs; Representatives Wilson and Smathers; James F. Reilly, executive secretary, the National Association of the Legitimate Theatre, Inc., New York, with four representatives of the industry, Miss Ilka Chase, Marc Connelly, Thomas Murtha, and Brock Pemberton, all of whom testified as to the need for reduction of excise tax on admissions.

Committee also held executive session and ordered favorably reported H. R. 3602, to exempt from admissions tax general admission to agricultural fairs; and H. J. Res. 210, to extend the time for the release, free of estate and gift tax, of certain powers of appointment.

REPORT ON JOINT COMMITTEE MEETINGS

WOOL PRICE SUPPORT

Conferees on S. 814, to establish a wool price support program, met in executive session with William L. Clayton, Under Secretary of State, and N. E. Dodd, Under Secretary of Agriculture. Committee continues tomorrow.

CURRENT ECONOMIC TRENDS

Joint Committee on the Economic Report: In executive session the committee received and began a study of the Dun & Bradstreet survey on business expectations for the second half of 1947.

Senator Taft announced tentative plans for hearings the week of June 23. A subcommittee, consisting of Senators Taft and O'Mahoney, and Representatives Wolcott and Patman, was appointed to complete arrangements for public hearings on current economic trends. Hearings will be conducted by full committee.

The Dun & Bradstreet survey covered some 583 selected business leaders in various economic endeavors.

Wednesday, June 4, 1947

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate continued debate on Italian Peace Treaty; House adopted conference report on labor-management relations bill by a vote of 320 to 79, and continued debate on War Establishment appropriations for 1948.
National Defense Establishment bill approved by Armed Services Committee.
Senate groups acted on veterans' proposals.
Hearings started by House group on admission of displaced persons.

Senate

Chamber Action

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Bills Introduced: Five bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 1376-S. 1380; and S. Res. 122.

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Bills Reported: Bills were reported as follows:

H. R. 360, private relief bill (S. Rept. 236); and S. 484, directing the issuance of a land patent (S. Rept. 237).

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Bills Referred: The following House-passed bills were referred to committees indicated: H. R. 617, 637, 837, 987, 993, 1144, 1152, 1497, 1531, 1658, 1742, 1799, 1851, 2302, 3170, and 3387 (Committee on the Judiciary); and H. J. Res. 96 (Committee on Armed Services).

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Universal Training: Presidential message transmitting report by Advisory Commission on Universal Training was received and referred to the Committee on Armed Services.

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Peace Treaty: Senate continued debate on the Italian Treaty of Peace (Executive F).

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Philippines: Consular Convention between U. S. and Republic of Philippines (Executive Q) was received and referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

Pages 6301-6304

Nominations: Received 84 nominations in the Public Health Service; 14 in the Diplomatic and Foreign Service; and that of F. Clyde Keefe as collector of customs for New Hampshire.

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Reports on Committee Meetings

FERTILIZER

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Committee heard the following witnesses testify in support of S.

1251, national soil-fertility policy and program: Gordon R. Clapp, chairman; C. N. Bass; J. J. McAmis; and C. H. Young, all of the TVA; and I. O. Schaub, Director of Extension Service for North Carolina.

INTERIOR APPROPRIATION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee began "marking up" H. R. 3123, Interior Department appropriation bill.

STATE, JUSTICE, COMMERCE APPROPRIATION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on H. R. 3311, State, Justice, Commerce appropriations bill, heard testimony from Under Secretary of Commerce William C. Foster, T. P. Wright, Administrator of CAA, and other CAA officials.

NATIONAL DEFENSE ESTABLISHMENT

Committee on Armed Services: In executive session by a vote of 12 to 0, the committee approved S. 758, to create a National Defense Establishment, as revised. Report and revised bill is expected to be filed within a few days.

SUGAR

Committee on Banking and Currency: Secretary of Agriculture Clinton P. Anderson; James H. Marshall, Department of Agriculture; and Harold O. Smith, National Confectioners Association, appeared in support of extending controls over sugar, while Walter S. Mack, president, Pepsi-Cola Co., testified in support of S. 1321, to provide for the decontrol of sugar.

Subcommittee meets tomorrow on proposed extension of RFC.

SALE OF AIRPLANES

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Subcommittee on Surplus Property met to consider the sale of some 5,000 used Army planes for salvage purposes to Martin Wunderlich, to study low sale price, and why most bidders were unaware of essen-

tial facts on value of planes and accompanying equipment and facilities. The following witnesses testified: General Mollison and John Carey, Deputy Administrators of WAA; Thomas Wadden, Deputy Administrator in charge of aircraft disposal of WAA; Stanford Stelle, formerly with WAA; and Nate Silverston, United States Army Air Forces. Committee meets again June 18 to hear Martin Wunderlich and others.

OIL AGREEMENTS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Under Secretary of Interior Oscar L. Chapman and Ralph K. Davies, special consultant to the Department of Interior, testified favorably on Anglo-American oil agreements (Executive H, 79th). Hearings continue tomorrow.

Opponents of the St. Lawrence waterway, S. J. Res 111, will be heard on June 11 and 12, while remaining proponents will testify June 13.

INTERNATIONAL AIR CARRIERS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee on Aviation heard Donald Hornbeck, representing the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen; Hartman Barber, representing the Brotherhood of Railway and Steamship Clerks; and Carter Fort, general counsel for American Association of Railroads, testify in support of S. 987, to consolidate American flag international air lines, and Garrison Norton, Assistant Secretary of State, in opposition. Hearings continue tomorrow.

RAILROAD FINANCING

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee continued hearings on S. 249, railroad financing bill, and heard testimony in favor of the bill, as introduced, from J. Carter Fort, Association of American Railroads; Willkie Bushby, representing a group of insurance companies holding Rock Island bonds; Fred N. Oliver, general counsel, National Association Mutual Savings Banks; and C. McD. Davis, president ACL Railroad. Hearings continue tomorrow.

ANTIMONOPOLY

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee in open hearings on S. 104, to amend the Antitrust Act to prohibit acquisition of assets of another corporation, etc., heard Dr. John Blair, Assistant Chief Economist, and Walter Wooden, Associate General Counsel, both of the FTC, support the legislation. Ralph Heymsfeld, secretary of Schenley Distillers, and Arthur Boehm, Boehm Pressed Steel Co., submitted analytical information to the committee.

EXPORT CONTROL

Committee on the Judiciary: The subcommittee heard Wilson T. Hart, Department of Agriculture; Under

Secretary of Agriculture Dodd; and Madison H. Varn, formerly with the Department of Commerce, give data on the proposed extension of export control. Willem C. Schilthuis, vice president, North American Export Grain Association, testified in favor of extending export controls, while Russel B. Brown, Independent Petroleum Association of America, and John Ferguson, Independent Natural Gas Association, appeared in opposition. Hearings continue Friday.

VETERANS' SUBSISTENCE

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee on Veterans, in executive session, approved a veterans' benefit program at an estimated additional cost of from \$267 to \$300 million, as follows:

Approved the Taft bill on determining eligibility of veterans for vocational rehabilitation, education and training, guarantee of loans, and unemployment readjustment allowances (S. 977), amended to change the date from March 31, 1947, to September 1, 1947.

Approved proposed increase of ceilings for on-the-job training from \$175 to \$200 for single persons and \$200 to \$250 for married persons.

Approved increasing ceilings for educational training from \$65 to \$75 for single persons, \$90 to \$105 for married persons, and \$120 for married persons with one or more dependents.

Favored writing a new bill on automobiles for veterans, giving each amputee \$1,600 for a car, allowing him to pay any difference between \$1,600 and the car price. Amputee would include any person having suffered the loss of one or both legs, or one or both arms, with the benefit period to be extended for 3 years.

Subcommittee agreed that bills would be introduced under new numbers tomorrow.

HEALTH LEGISLATION

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee on Health in public hearings on S. 545, to create an independent National Health Agency, heard testimony from Dr. E. S. Bagnall, Massachusetts State Medical Society; Dr. Chas. G. Hayden, Massachusetts Hospital Service, Inc., Boston; and Ernest R. Geddes, California State legislator representing Health Care Investigating Interim Committee of California.

SMALL BUSINESS—STEEL

Special Committee to Study Problems of American Small Business: Subcommittee on Steel heard T. A. Duer, Troop Water Heater Co., of Pittsburgh, discuss the inability of his business to obtain the necessary supply of steel, and Al Levinson, Steel Craft Engineering Co., relate information on sales and distribution of steel by his concern. Hearings continue tomorrow.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Eight public bills, H. R. 3715-3722; seven private bills, H. R. 3723-3729; and four resolutions, H. Res. 231-233, and H. Con. Res. 52, were introduced. Pages 6341, 6344, 6394, 6395

Bills Reported: Bills and resolutions were reported as follows:

H. Res. 231, rule providing 1 hour's general debate on H. R. 1389, amending Veterans' Preference Act of 1944 (H. Rept. 512);

H. R. 3394, amending the act providing for evacuation and return of the remains of certain military personnel who died and are buried overseas (H. Rept. 513);

H. J. Res. 210, extending to July 1, 1948, period for tax-free release of powers of appointment created before October 21, 1942 (H. Rept. 514);

H. R. 210, establishing a fish hatchery at Rogers City, Mich. (H. Rept. 515);

H. R. 214, establishing a fish hatchery at St. Ignace, Mich. (H. Rept. 516);

H. R. 215, establishing a fish hatchery at Charlevoix, Mich. (H. Rept. 517);

H. R. 216, establishing a fish hatchery on the Anna River, Mich. (H. Rept. 518); and

H. R. 3602, to exempt from general admissions tax certain agricultural fairs (H. Rept. 519). Pages 6394-6395

New Committee Chairman: Agreed to H. Res. 232, resolution electing Representative Weichel, of Ohio, chairman of the Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries. Page 6344

Bill Re-referred: S. 1072, to extend until July 1, 1949, the period during which income from agriculture labor and nursing services may be disregarded in making old-age assistance payments, was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, and the Committee on Agriculture to which it was originally referred was discharged from further consideration. Page 6344

Rent Control: Disagreed to Senate amendments to H. R. 3203, continuation of rent control, agreed to the conference asked, and Representatives Wolcott, Gamble, Kunkel, Talle, Spence, Brown of Georgia, and Patman were appointed as House conferees. Page 6346

Military Appropriations: Resumed consideration of H. R. 3678, making appropriations for the Military Establishment in fiscal year 1948, and read the bill for amendment under the 5-minute rule. Rejected by voice vote an amendment offered by Representative Dirksen to decrease the amount of \$2,348,438,179, for pay and allowances of the Army, by \$125,000,000. The primary reason advanced for this suggested change was based on the likelihood of the War Department's enlistment estimates not being reached this year.

Pursuant to a previous order entered into, the conference report on the labor-management bill was called up, temporarily suspending consideration of an amendment proposed by Representative Mahon, which would increase the amount of \$773,332,508, for maintenance of the Army-Air Corps, by \$40,000,000. A full hour is scheduled to be spent on this amendment when consideration is resumed on Thursday. Pages 6346-6360

Labor-Management Relations: Called up the conference report on H. R. 3020, labor-management relations bill, and spent 1 hour in general debate. Rejected a motion to recommit to conference by a division vote of 246 nays to 55 yeas, and adopted the report by a roll-call vote of 320 yeas to 79 nays. Pages 6361-6393

Treasury-Post Office: Disagreed to Senate amendments to H. R. 2436, Treasury-Post Office Departments appropriations bill for 1948, agreed to conference asked, and Representatives Canfield, Dirksen, Griffith, Robertson, Gary, Bates of Kentucky, and Whitten were appointed as House conferees. Page 6394

Wool Bill: The Speaker appointed Representative Zimmerman as a House conferee on S. 814, wool support bill, now in conference, in place of Representative Flannagan, resigned. Page 6393

Labor-Management Bill: Agreed to H. Con. Res. 52, authorizing the Clerk of the House of Representatives to make certain changes in H. R. 3020, labor-management relations bill. Page 6394

Reports on Committee Meetings

FARM PROGRAM

Committee on Agriculture: Continued hearings on long-range farm program and heard J. L. Rosefield, Peanut Butter Manufacturers Association.

Committee also held executive session, at which time they voted to endorse H. R. 3484, transfer of the Remount Service from the War Department to the Department of Agriculture, which is now before the Armed Services Committee, and recommend its enactment.

MILITARY

Committee on Armed Services: Retirement Subcommittee met in executive session on H. R. 2744, Army Vitalization and Retirement Equalization Act of 1946. Meeting will continue tomorrow.

Personnel Subcommittee held executive session on H. R. 2536 and H. R. 2537, Army and Navy promotion bills.

RECONSTRUCTION FINANCE CORPORATION

Committee on Banking and Currency: Held hearings on guarantee of business loans by Federal Reserve banks,

and heard Kenton B. Cravens, member of the credit policy commission, American Bankers Association, who testified against Government guarantee of business loans in peacetime. He said the real business credit problem today is one of overextension of credit rather than too little credit by banks and other private lenders. Earl R. Muir, member of the small business credit commission of the American Bankers Association, stated that Government should not engage directly or indirectly in the field of private credit as this proposal would encourage loose spending and tend to inflate the economy further.

D. C. RECORDER OF DEEDS

Committee on the District of Columbia: Subcommittee on the Judiciary held hearings on H. R. 3045, transferring the Office of Recorder of Deeds to the District Commissioners, and heard Representative Horan, author of the bill; Vernon West, Corporation Counsel; George Keneipp, Director, Department of Vehicles; Dr. Marshall L. Shepard, Recorder; Washington I. Cleveland, American Automobile Association; and George Hart, Jr., District of Columbia Bar.

REORGANIZATION—RFC BUILDING SPACE

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Met in executive session and announced hearings to be held on Monday, June 9, on President's Reorganization Plan No. 3. Morton Bodfish, executive vice president, U. S. Savings and Loan League, Chicago, Ill.; Herbert Nelson, president, Association of Real Estate Board, Chicago, Ill.; and James E. Webb, Director of the Bureau of the Budget, with other representatives from his organization, will be the witnesses on Monday. Hearings on H. R. 2319, National Security Act of 1947, will be resumed on Tuesday, June 10, with Secretary of the Navy Forrestal as the first witness.

Procurement and Buildings Subcommittee continued hearings on methods used by the Reconstruction Finance Corporation in the procurement of building space by lending money to a private builder on condition that the building be leased to the RFC. Continued questioning of the same witnesses who had testified on the previous day—John D. Goodloe, Chairman, RFC; Frank R. Creedon, Housing Expediter; and W. E. Reynolds, Commissioner of Public Buildings. The testimony disclosed that RFC no longer had the need for space that existed at the inception of these arrangements; that this method of obtaining new building space constituted uneconomical competition among Government agencies. The PBA was asked to submit recommendations as to how the space needs and space available to the RFC and other Government corporations could be coordinated into an over-all plan for the procurement and management of building space for all Government agencies.

FASCISM

Committee on House Administration: Met on H. Res. 83, printing of a documented study and analyses of

"Fascism in Action" as a House document. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Held executive session on National Science Foundation legislation. Meeting will continue tomorrow. Announcement was made that the Subcommittee on Railroad Legislation will hold hearings on H. R. 3140, relating to boxcars, on June 17 and 18.

CLAIMS—DISPLACED PERSONS—COPYRIGHTS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Claims considered and ordered favorably reported to the full committee 11 private claims bills.

Subcommittee on Immigration and Naturalization began public hearings on H. R. 2910, regarding the admission into the United States of displaced persons in Germany, Austria, and Italy, and heard Representative Stratton, who testified in support of the bill.

Subcommittee on Patents, Trade-Marks, and Copyrights held hearings on H. R. 1269, H. R. 1270, and H. R. 2570, concerning copyrights, and heard Lewis Frohlich, general counsel, ASCAP; Deems Taylor, president, ASCAP; John Schulman, representing Songwriters Protective Association; Sidney W. Wattenberg, counsel, Music Publishers Protective Association; Isabelle Marks, Decca Records, Inc.; and Kenneth Raine, secretary, Columbia Recording Corp.

COAST GUARD—WILDLIFE

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Subcommittee on Coast Guard, Coast and Geodetic Survey, and Public Health Service held hearings on H. R. 3494, relating to Coast Guard personnel, and heard Admiral J. F. Farley, Commandant, Coast Guard; Capt. Alfred C. Richmond, Coast Guard; Hon. John J. O'Connor, Counsel for the Society of Marine Inspectors; Capt. Wm. C. Ash, national vice president, Master, Mates and Pilots of America; Capt. R. E. Coombs, Coast Guard; and Hoyt S. Haddock, CIO Maritime Committee. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

Subcommittee on Conservation of Wildlife Resources held hearings on H. R. 3043, transferring certain lands to Interior Department, and heard Hon. Kent E. Keller, Ava, Ill.; Hugh Trammel, Stone Fort, Ill.; Gregory Hankin, attorney, Washington, D. C.; and Chas. E. Hamilton, Williamson County, Ill. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

LOYALTY—MAIL DELIVERY

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Rees subcommittee heard concluding testimony of Arthur S. Flemming, Civil Service Commissioner, on H. R. 3588, Federal Employees' Loyalty Act of 1947.

Youngblood subcommittee held hearings on H. R. 2588, delivery of mails consigned between an airport and a post office within a 35-mile radius of a city in

which there is a Government-owned motor-vehicle service, and heard A. G. Beidenweg, Clarence N. Bruce, and George Miller, all of the Post Office Department; also representatives from the National Federation of Post Office Motor Vehicle Employees; Government Employees Council; National Association of Letter Carriers; National Federation of Post Office Clerks; National Association of Special Delivery Messengers; and National Association of Post Office Custodial Employees. Subcommittee ordered the bill, with amendment, favorably reported to the full committee.

RECLAMATION

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation met on various bills amending the Reclamation Project Act of 1939, and heard Representative Lemke in behalf of his bill, H. R. 1977; and Representative Rockwell in behalf of his bill, H. R. 2873. Subcommittee voted to consider H. R. 2873 for amendments on Friday, June 6. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

PUBLIC WORKS

Committee on Public Works: Held hearings on H. R. 3036, transfer of jurisdiction over certain power projects and transmission lines, and heard Chairman Dondero, author of the bill; Russell Smith, representing Farmers' Union; and Representative Horan. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

RULES

Committee on Rules: Heard Chairman Rees, of the Committee on Post Office and Civil Service, and Representative Vursell, of Illinois, in favor of a resolution providing consideration of H. R. 1389, amending the Veterans' Preference Act of 1944. A resolution providing for 1 hour general debate was ordered reported.

INSURANCE

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Subcommittee on Insurance held hearings on H. R. 604, H. R. 807, and H. R. 1328, insurance bills, and heard Representative LeCompte in behalf of his bill, H. R. 604; John C. Williamson and J. Robert Conroy, of the VFW; Charles W. Stevens and Clarence R. Smith, of the American Legion; and Kenneth D. Bradley, of the DAV, all of whom testified on all three measures.

TAX REVISION

Committee on Ways and Means: Continued hearings on general tax revision and heard Mark Anton, Suburban Propane Gas Co., West Orange, N. J.; C. T. Lawson, National Electric Manufacturing Association, New York; Frazier Hilder, counsel, Institute of Cooking & Heating Appliance Manufacturers, Inc., Washington, D. C.; and Frank J. Nugent, general manager, Appliance Sales, Rheem Manufacturing Co., New York, all of whom testified to the need for revision of excise tax on cooking and heating and electrical appliances. Hearings continue tomorrow.

REPORT ON JOINT COMMITTEE MEETINGS

WOOL PRICE SUPPORT

Conferees on S. 814, to establish a wool price support program, met in executive session but made no announcement of action taken.

CAPITOL BUILDING

Joint Session of Committees on Capitol Buildings: House and Senate Committees on Capitol Buildings met jointly with Capitol Architect David Lynn to discuss the remodeling of House and Senate Chamber skylights. They meet again Wednesday, June 11.

Thursday, June 5, 1947

HIGHLIGHTS

- Senate ratified four peace treaties and debated labor conference report;
- House passed Military Establishment appropriation bill for 1948.
- Bills on department of health and education, traveling expenses, California aqueduct, and Government checks approved by Senate group.
- Antimonopoly bill ordered reported by House committee.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 6427-6435

Bills Introduced: Sixteen bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1381-S. 1396; S. J. Res. 123; and S. Con. Res. 17.

Pages 6428-6429, 6431-6433

Bills Reported: Bills and reports were reported as follows:

Report of Public Lands Subcommittee on Centralia mine disaster (S. Rept. 238);

S. 758, to create a National Defense Establishment (S. Rept. 239);

S. 544, to amend the Subsistence Expense Act (S. Rept. 240);

S. 1316, to establish procedure in facilitating payment of Government checks (S. Rept. 241); and

Unofficial favorable report on Reorganization Plan No. 1 from the Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments (no report number).

Pages 6427-6428

Peace Treaties: Senate ratified the Italian Peace Treaty 79 yeas to 10 nays, and then approved the treaties with Rumania, Bulgaria, and Hungary by voice vote. Motion by Senator Fulbright to delay further consideration of the Italian Peace Treaty to January 25, 1948, was defeated 22 yeas to 67 nays.

Pages 6396-6427

Labor Bill: Senate debated conference report (H. Rept. 510) on H. R. 3020, labor bill.

Pages 6434, 6436-6457

Borah Statue: Passed S. Con. Res. 17 accepting gift from the State of Idaho of statue of the late Senator William E. Borah.

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Confirmations: The following nominations were confirmed: Edmond M. Hanrahan, as SEC Commissioner, together with 26 appointments in the Naval Academy graduating class.

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Nominations: Nomination of Henry O. Camp, to be U. S. marshal for the northern district of Georgia, together with 28 postmaster appointments, and 5 in the Marine Corps, were received.

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Reports on Committee Meetings

INTERIOR APPROPRIATION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on H. R. 3123, Interior Department appropriation bill, continued "marking up" the bill.

STATE, JUSTICE, COMMERCE APPROPRIATION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee continued hearings on H. R. 3311, State, Justice, Commerce appropriations bill, with testimony from Under Secretary of Commerce William C. Foster and CAA Administrator T. P. Wright. Hearings continue tomorrow.

RFC EXTENSION

Committee on Banking and Currency: Subcommittee on RFC extension heard testimony from John D. Goodloe, RFC Chairman, in support of proposed extension of RFC.

PUC NOMINATION FOR D. C.

Committee on the District of Columbia: The following witnesses testified in opposition to confirmation of James W. Lauderdale, as member of D. C. Public Utilities Commission: Henry Beitscher, Washington Industrial Union Council; Ethel Weichbord, United Public Workers; and Mrs. G. H. Rodes, National Association of Colored Women. John H. Connaughton, vice chair-

man, Public Utilities Committee; D. C. Federation of Citizens' Associations; James H. Flannagan, PUC chairman; John O'Dea, People's Counsel, favored the nomination.

BILLS ON GOVERNMENT AGENCIES AND CALIFORNIA AQUEDUCT

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: In executive session the committee approved the following four bills: A completely revised version of S. 140, to establish a Department of Health, Education, and Security; a completely revised version of S. 544, establishing a maximum subsistence allowance for traveling expenses of Federal officers and employees at \$8 a day, and authorizing the Bureau of the Budget to set rates within that limit according to costs in geographical locations; S. 1306, relating to the construction and disposition of the San Jacinto-San Vicente aqueduct, without amendment; and S. 1316, to establish a procedure for facilitating the payment of certain Government checks, without amendment. S. 544 and S. 1316 were later reported to the Senate.

REORGANIZATION PLAN AND GOVERNMENT NOMENCLATURE

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Committee filed a report (no bill to be reported) approving the Presidential Reorganization Plan No. 1. (For details of plan, see Digest, p. D133.)

It voted to submit a report to the Senate on use of a uniform system of nomenclature in the executive branch of the Government.

Committee approved a study on Government lending agencies by the Legislative Reference Service.

INTERNAL REVENUE

Committee on Finance: In executive session, the nominations of George J. Schoeneman, of Rhode Island, to be Commissioner of Internal Revenue, and Thomas M. Robinson, to be Collector of Internal Revenue for Montana, were reported favorably to the Senate.

OIL AGREEMENTS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on Anglo-American Oil Agreements (Executive H. 79th) heard favorable testimony from George Hill, Houston, Tex., oil operator; and Joseph Pogue, Chase National Bank. Opposition witnesses were J. C. McDonald, Texas agriculture commissioner; and Max P. Zall, Oriental Refining Co.

RAILROAD FINANCING

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee continued hearings on S. 249, railroad financing bill, and heard Frank J. Lausche, counsel, Federation for Railway Progress, in favor of amendments suggested by Senators Reed and Myers. Edward W. Bourne, Protective Committee, Rock Island Bonds;

Harry Hagerty, Metropolitan Life Insurance Co.; and William Wyer, Wm. Wyer & Co., testified in opposition to the bill. Hearings continue tomorrow.

Subcommittee opens hearings June 11 on S. 353, flammable fabrics bill, and on June 17 another subcommittee will start hearings on S. 1333, FCC amendments.

INTERNATIONAL AIR CARRIERS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee on Aviation concluded public hearings on S. 987, to consolidate American flag international air lines, after hearing Senator McCarran testify in support of it.

CONGRESSIONAL PRIMARY INVESTIGATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Attorney General Clark and J. Edgar Hoover, FBI, appeared before subcommittee to give information on S. Res. 116, to authorize investigation concerning the failure of the Department of Justice "to act with respect to alleged irregularities in the Democratic primary election held in the Fifth Congressional District of Missouri on August 6, 1946." Hearings continue tomorrow.

Senator Wiley announced a meeting of subcommittee on S. J. Res. 123, termination of emergency powers, on June 10.

HEALTH LEGISLATION

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee on Health in public hearings on S. 545, to create an independent National Health Agency, heard supporting testimony from the following: Dr. Samuel Alexander, president, and Dr. Frederic J. Quigley, executive secretary, N. J. State Medical Society; Dr. Norman M. Scott, Medical Director, Medical Service Administration of N. J. and of the Medical Surgical Plan of N. J.; Dr. Lowell S. Goin, president, California Physicians Service, and of American College of Radiology; and Drs. Thomas A. McGoldrick and Floyd S. Winslow, Medical Society of the State of N. Y. Hearings will continue on June 25.

SMALL BUSINESS—STEEL

Special Committee to Study Problems of American Small Business: A. J. Hazlett, vice president, Jones & Laughlin Steel Corp., Pittsburgh, testified before the Steel Subcommittee to discuss policies of his company with respect to distribution and integration of steel. Smaller manufacturers had complained of that company's withdrawal from distribution in certain areas and its acquisition of steel facilities, which had the effect of upsetting the prior distribution patterns. Hearings continue tomorrow.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Ten public bills, H. R. 3730-3739; four private bills, H. R. 3740-3743; and one resolution, H. J. Res. 212, were introduced.

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Bills Reported: Bills were reported as follows:

Eighteen private bills, which were given the following House report numbers: S. 254 (H. Rept. 520), S. 361 (H. Rept. 521), S. 423 (H. Rept. 522), S. 425 (H. Rept. 523), S. 620 (H. Rept. 524), S. 664 (H. Rept. 525), H. R. 431 (H. Rept. 526), H. R. 645 (H. Rept. 527), H. R. 988 (H. Rept. 528), H. R. 1737 (H. Rept. 529), H. R. 1800 (H. Rept. 530), H. R. 1930 (H. Rept. 531), H. R. 2056 (H. Rept. 532), H. R. 2306 (H. Rept. 533), H. R. 2399 (H. Rept. 534), H. R. 2434 (H. Rept. 535), H. R. 2607 (H. Rept. 536), and S. 665 (H. Rept. 537), and S. 597, providing for protection of forests against destructive insects and diseases (H. Rept. 538).

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Admissions Tax: Passed H. R. 3602, a bill to exempt certain agricultural fairs from general admissions tax.

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Appointment Powers: Passed H. J. Res. 210, extending to July 1, 1948, period for tax-free release of powers of appointment created before October 21, 1942.

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Veterans: Passed S. 1135, extending provisions of Servicemen's Readjustment Act, relating to leases. The companion House bill, H. R. 3060, was laid on the table.

Pages 6464-6465

Military Appropriations: Passed by voice vote H. R. 3678, making appropriations for the Military Establishment in the fiscal year of 1948. Upon resuming consideration of the measure, which had been postponed from the previous session, an amendment proposed by Representative Mahon, which would increase the amount of \$773,332,508 for maintenance of the Army Air Corps, by \$40,000,000, was under discussion. This amendment was adopted. The bill was thereupon further read for amendment until completed, passed with the one amendment and sent to the Senate.

Pages 6465-6484

Post Office-Civil Service: Adopted H. Res. 176, resolution authorizing investigation and study, by the House of Representatives, of matters relating to the Post Office and the Federal Civil Service generally.

Pages 6484-6490

Foreign Information Exchange: Considered H. Res. 224, open rule waiving all points of order against and 2 hours' general debate on H. R. 3342, Federal information and educational exchange program with foreign countries. Consideration of this rule will be resumed Friday.

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Reports on Committee Meetings

PLANT QUARANTINE

Committee on Agriculture: Held hearings on S. 338, H. R. 2773, and H. R. 2950, plant quarantine bills, and heard Richard P. White, American Association of Nurserymen, Inc.; Albert F. Meehan, Dresher, Pa., secretary, Pennsylvania Nursery Association; H. K. Thatcher, executive secretary of National Association of Commissioners, Secretaries, and Directors of Agriculture; C. A. Boyer, of the State Department of Agriculture, Lansing, Mich., representing the National Plant Board as secretary and treasurer; and Robert H. Roland, executive secretary of Society of American Florists, all of whom recommended passage of S. 338 as originally introduced. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

MILITARY

Committee on Armed Services: Retirement Subcommittee met in executive session to continue discussion on H. R. 2744, Army Vitalization and Retirement Equalization Act of 1946. Meeting will continue tomorrow.

Pay and Administration Subcommittee held hearings on H. R. 3174 and H. R. 3254, to increase pay for doctors of the Army and Navy Medical Departments, and heard General Eisenhower; General Bliss, Surgeon General of the Army; Admiral Swanson, of the Navy Bureau of Medicine and Surgery; Dr. Edward J. Churchill, Harvard University; and Dr. Hugh Morgan, Professor of Medicine, Vanderbilt University; all of whom testified in favor of the legislation. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

COMMEMORATIVE COINS—HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: Held hearings on H. R. 1180, H. R. 1231, H. R. 1332, H. R. 2278, H. R. 2580, H. R. 3109, and H. J. Res. 184, all bills providing for commemorative coins; and S. 1230, to amend sections 2 (a) and 603 (a) of the National Housing Act, as amended, and heard Director of the Mint, Mrs. Nellie Tayloe Ross; Assistant General Counsel of the Treasury, Stephen J. Spingarn, who testified against the striking of such coins and recommended the striking of medals instead; and Raymond M. Foley, Adminis-

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trator NHA, who testified in favor of S. 1230. This bill was ordered reported after striking section 2, which was contained in the rent-control bill and has passed both Houses.

D. C. TAXES

Committee on the District of Columbia: Met in executive session on tax bill of Representative Bates. Meeting will continue tomorrow.

EDUCATION AND LABOR

Committee on Education and Labor: Met in executive session. Meeting will continue on Tuesday of next week.

SURPLUS

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Surplus Property Subcommittee held hearings on effect of Public Law 75, providing for assistance to Greece and Turkey, on the priorities established by the Surplus Property Act of 1944, and heard Admiral Paul L. Mather, Deputy Administrator, Plans and Policies Division, WAA; Jess Larson, general counsel, WAA; and Edward E. Kunze, Chief of the UNRRA Division, Department of State.

FOREIGN AFFAIRS

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Met in executive session on committee organization.

FASCISM

Committee on House Administration: Concluded hearings on H. Res. 83, printing of a documented study and analysis of "Fascism in Action" as a House document. Final action will be taken on June 19.

NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Met in executive session to continue consideration of National Science Foundation legislation. Meeting will continue tomorrow.

ANTIMONOPOLY—DEPORTATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Held executive session and agreed to report favorably to the House H. R. 515, to amend sections 7 and 11 of the Clayton Act with respect to acquisition of assets of one corporation by another for purposes of monopoly (with amendments). Also, 18 private claims bills were ordered favorably reported to the House.

Subcommittee on Immigration and Naturalization ordered favorably reported to the full committee H. R. 3566, giving the Attorney General discretionary powers with respect to suspension of deportation against certain aliens (amended); and also one private immigration bill.

MERCHANT SEAMEN—WILDLIFE—COAST GUARD

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Subcommittee on Conservation of Wildlife Resources held hearings on H. R. 107, providing for wildlife management in the State of California, and heard Representatives Lea and Phillips of California; Albert H. Day, of the Fish and Wildlife Service; and Fred M. Packard, of National Parks Association.

Subcommittee on Ship Construction and Operation and Maritime Labor continued hearings on H. R. 476, to extend certain benefits to merchant seamen, and heard John Williamson, VFW; and Harry V. Hayden, American Legion. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

Subcommittee on Coast Guard, Coast and Geodetic Survey, and Public Health Service held hearings on H. R. 3494, relating to Coast Guard personnel, and heard Capt. Alfred C. Richmond, Chief of Planning and Control, U. S. Coast Guard.

CIVIL SERVICE

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Subcommittee to investigate the civil service met in executive session.

RECLAIMED LANDS—GUAM

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation held hearings on H. R. 3538, to authorize the investigation of the matter of reclaiming land by drainage, and heard Michael W. Straus, Commissioner, Bureau of Reclamation; Representatives Barden and Jones of North Carolina; J. W. Dixon, Director of Project Planning, Bureau of Reclamation; J. V. Whitfield, Burgaw, N. C., State legislator; and N. B. Bennett, Assistant Director of Project Planning, Bureau of Reclamation, all of whom testified in favor of the bill. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

Subcommittee on Territorial and Insular Possessions held hearings on various bills relating to civil government for Guam and heard Under Secretary of the Navy John L. Sullivan. Subcommittee ordered favorably reported to the full committee the following bills: H. R. 1554, to transfer duties of road commissioners in Alaska to Department of the Interior; H. R. 187, transportation of U. S. employees on U. S. vessels; H. R. 1609, Legislature of Alaska to exercise zoning power; and H. R. 175, giving Governor of Alaska power to pardon and remit fines.

PUBLIC WORKS

Committee on Public Works: Continued hearings on H. R. 3036, transfer of jurisdiction over certain power projects and transmission lines, and heard F. W. Scheidtmann, consulting engineer, New York City; and Commissioner Leland Olds, Federal Power Commission.

VETERANS

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Subcommittee on Compensation and Pensions held hearings on bills pertaining to tuberculosis, income limitations, and tropical diseases, and heard Representative Patterson in support of H. R. 1200 and H. R. 3650; Representative Stigler in support of H. R. 1453; Representative Blatnik in support of H. R. 2566; T. O. Kraabel, American Legion, on H. R. 3650; Dr. H. D. Shapiro, American Legion, on H. R. 3650; Charles W. Stevens, American Legion; Quintus Camp, DAV; Francis Sullivan, DAV; Dr. Clayton Wood, DAV; Elmer C. Richter, VFW; and Robert McLaughlin, AMVETS, on all bills being considered. Hearings will be continued on Thursday of next week.

Subcommittee on Education, Training, and Rehabilitation held hearings on H. R. 1385, extending the educational and loan benefits of the Servicemen's Readjustment Act to widows of veterans who died prior to January 1, 1946, as a result of service in World War II; and H. R. 2106, providing for 4 years of college education to children of persons whose death resulted from service in the armed forces, and heard Mrs. Marie Jordan, president, Gold Star Wives of America; and Mrs. Dorothy Abdill, Gold Star Wives of America, both of whom testified on both bills; and T. F. Daley, Director of Legislative Project Service, Veterans' Administration, who gave the views of the department.

TAX REVISION

Committee on Ways and Means: Held night session on June 4 on percentage depletion, and heard Malcolm E. Tarver, Dalton, Ga., representing the barite interest; Wesley E. Disney, Tulsa, Okla., representing the talc, fluorspar, and thenardite interests; Henry Mulryan, Los Angeles, Calif., representing the talc interest; S. H. Davis, Tulsa, Okla., representing fluorspar and thenardite interests; John Bishop, Chicago, Ill., representing the vermiculite interest; Dan W. Street, Louisville, Ky., representing the rock asphalt interest; R. L. Carothers, Paris, Tenn., representing the ball clay interest; J. A. Reid, secretary, mining committee, National Lead Co., New York City, bentonite; and Representatives Barrett, Case, and Gore.

June 5 continued hearings on tax revision and heard L. O. Monroe, secretary, National Association of Fan Manufacturers, Detroit, Mich.; F. W. McKenney, executive secretary, Trailercoach Dealers National Association, Washington, D. C.; Col. Waldron Leonard, chairman, War Metropolitan Housing Committee, and director of Veterans Service Center, Washington, D. C.; Norman C. Wolf, president, American Coach Co., Cassopolis, Mich.; Frank J. Prince, Universal Match Corp., Washington D. C.; and Judge Anson W. H. Taylor, National Association of State Chambers of Com-

merce, New York City, all of whom testified to the need for tax revisions on excise taxes. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

PAPER

Select Committee on Newsprint and Paper Supply: Held hearings on establishment of newsprint mills, and heard Brig. Gen. J. K. Christmas, Chief of Procurement Group, Service Supply and Procurement Division, War Department General Staff, regarding the proposed

leasing of a portion of the Alabama Ordnance Works to the Coosa River Newsprint Co.

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(New Law)

(For last listing of public laws, see p. D227)

S. J. Res. 107, relating to the employment of counsel of the Special Committee to Investigate the National Defense Program. Signed June 4, 1947 (P. L. 86).

Friday, June 6, 1947

HIGHLIGHTS

By vote of 54 to 17 Senate cleared labor bill for President; House completed general debate on foreign information exchange bill.

Senate subcommittees acted on Army enlistments and Civil Service bills.

House committee announced hearings on community property and family partnerships.

Senate**Chamber Action****Routine Proceedings, pages 6494-6495**

Bills Introduced: Six bills were introduced, as follows:
S. 1397-S. 1402. Page 6495

Bills Reported: A bill and a report were reported, as follows:

S. 140, to create a Department of Health, Education, and Security (S. Rept. 242); and

Report from Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments on nomenclature in the executive branch (S. Rept. 243). Page 6494

Labor Bill: Conference report (H. Rept. 510) on H. R. 3020, labor bill, was adopted 54 yeas to 17 nays, thus clearing the bill for President's signature. H. Con. Res. 52, correcting clerical error in the bill, also was approved. Pages 6495-6535

Bills Referred: The following House-passed bills were referred to the committees indicated: H. R. 3678 (Committee on Appropriations); and H. R. 3602, H. J. Res. 210 (Committee on Finance). (For passage in House, see Digest, p. D240.) Page 6495

Nominations: The following nominations were received: Dwight P. Griswold, to be chief of the American Mission for Aid to Greece; Richard F. Allen, field administrator of U. S. Foreign Relief Program; and Monnett B. Davis, U. S. representative for the Economic Commission for Asia and the Far East. Page 6536

Reports on Committee Meetings**INTERIOR APPROPRIATION**

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on H. R. 3123, Interior Department appropriation bill, continued "marking up" the bill.

STATE, JUSTICE, COMMERCE APPROPRIATION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee continued hearings on H. R. 3311, State, Justice, Commerce appropriations bill, with testimony from Under Secretary of Commerce William C. Foster; CAB Chairman James M. Landis; Wallace S. Dawson, Director, CAB Safety Bureau; F. W. Reichelderfer, Chief of the Weather Bureau; Dr. E. C. Crittenden, Acting Director, Bureau of Standards; and Rear Adm. L. O. Colbert, Director, Coast and Geodetic Survey.

ARMY ENLISTMENTS

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee in executive session agreed to report favorably to the full committee on Tuesday, June 10, S. 1218, to continue authority to take enlistments in the Regular Army and to establish the periods of service, with amendments.

AID TO SMALL BUSINESS

Committee on Banking and Currency: Committee met to consider H. R. 2535, to amend the RFC Act to aid small business in purchase of surplus property, and heard Representative Ploeser; John D. Goodloe, Chairman of the RFC; Chauncey Y. Dodds, RFC; and Jess Larson,

General Counsel of the WAA, give supporting arguments for legislation. Hearings will continue on Thursday, June 12.

CIVIL SERVICE

Committee on Civil Service: Subcommittee met on S. 263, to appoint a superintendent of Star Route Service; S. 995, to extend Civil Service Retirement Act to employees of the Columbia Institution for the Deaf; and S. 1324, to extend Civil Service Retirement Act to officers and employees of the National Library for the Blind, and agreed to make a report on these to the full committee on Tuesday, June 10.

OIL AGREEMENTS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Continued hearings on Anglo-American oil agreements (Executive H, 79th) with favorable testimony from Eugene Holman, Standard Oil of New Jersey; and opposition testimony from Warrick Downing, Denver, Colo.; and Ghent Sanderford, Texas commission.

RAILROAD FINANCING

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee on S. 249, railroad financing bill, concluded hearings with testimony from Berryman Hardwood, and Paul Miller, of the St. Louis Southwestern; Luther A. Walter, of Walter, Brickmore, & Belup; and John Gerdes, Rock Island Railroad.

EXPORT CONTROL

Committee on the Judiciary: Col. C. Tyler Wood, State Department, and Robert Johnson, Deputy Housing Expediter, testified before the subcommittee in favor of continuing export controls.

CONGRESSIONAL PRIMARY INVESTIGATION

Committee on the Judiciary: United States District Judge J. C. Collet, Elbert L. Reeves, and Albert A. Ridge, of Kansas City, and United States Attorney Sam Ware, Western District of Kansas, appeared before subcommittee to give information on S. Res. 116, to authorize inves-

tigation concerning the failure of the Department of Justice "to act with respect to alleged irregularities in the Democratic primary election held in the Fifth Congressional District of Missouri on August 6, 1946." This concludes hearings on the resolution.

HEALTH LEGISLATION

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee on Health heard the following witnesses testify in support of S. 545, to create an independent National Health Agency: Dr. Bradford Murphey, Colorado State Medical Society; Dr. E. F. Sladek, Michigan State Medical Society; and Drs. Guy R. Jones, W. P. D. Tilly, and J. P. Sanders, Louisiana State Medical Society. Hearings were recessed until June 25.

PUBLIC LANDS BILLS

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation met in executive session on calendar bills; it will report to full committee on Monday of action taken.

WEST VIRGINIA CONTESTED ELECTION

Committee on Rules and Administration: Subcommittee on Privileges and Elections met in executive session to receive a report by its counsel, Jack Hardy, who is handling the investigation of the West Virginia senatorial election contest.

Subcommittee will submit report to full committee on Wednesday, on investigation to date in two West Virginia counties, and request instructions as to further procedure.

SMALL BUSINESS—STEEL

Special Committee to Study Problems of American Small Business: Subcommittee on Steel heard Col. Willard F. Rockwell, Rockwell Manufacturing Co., Pittsburgh, describe experiences in purchasing gray-market steel, relating that his company has spent one-quarter of a million dollars in gray-market purchases at a \$247 average per ton. He complained of increase in integrated operations by large steel mills.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Ten public bills, H. R. 3744-3753; two private bills, H. R. 3754 and 3755; and one resolution, H. Res. 234, were introduced. Page 6582

Bills Reported: Bills were reported as follows:

H. R. 1634, amending act to regulate D. C. life insurance regulations, relating to use of mortality schedules (H. Rept. 539);

H. R. 1493, for the relief of Anna Malama Marks (H. Rept. 540);

H. R. 599, declaring Kenduskeag Stream, Maine, to be a nonnavigable waterway (H. Rept. 541);

H. R. 3484, transferring Remount Service from the War Department to the Department of Agriculture (H. Rept. 542); and

H. R. 3737, District of Columbia tax bill (H. Rept. 543). Page 6582

Borah Statue: Passed S. Con. Res. 17, accepting gift from the State of Idaho of statue of the late Senator William E. Borah. Page 6538

Foreign Information Exchange: Passed H. Res. 224, open rule waiving all points of order against, and providing 2 hours' general debate on, H. R. 3342, Federal information and educational exchange program with foreign countries. Spent 4½ hours on general debate and pro forma amendments under the 5-minute rule, and postponed further consideration until Monday, June 9. Pages 6537-6538, 6538-6578

Reports on Committee Meetings

PLANT QUARANTINE

Committee on Agriculture: Continued hearings on S. 338, H. R. 2773, and H. R. 2950, plant quarantine bills, and heard Representative Ellsworth in behalf of his bill, H. R. 2773; and nine witnesses representing local garden clubs, Holland bulb exporters, etc. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

MILITARY

Committee on Armed Services: Retirement Subcommittee met in executive session for the continued consideration of H. R. 2744, Army Vitalization and Retirement Equalization Act of 1946.

Pay and Administration Subcommittee held hearings on H. R. 3174 and H. R. 3254, increased pay for doctors of the Army and Navy Medical Departments; and heard Dr. James Crabtree, Deputy Surgeon General, Public Health Service; Dr. Karl Metz, American Dental Association; and Dr. Robert Ashley, American Osteopathic Society, all of whom testified in favor of the legislation.

COMMEMORATIVE COINS

Committee on Banking and Currency: Held executive session on bills providing for the striking of commemorative coins. H. R. 1180, to authorize the coinage of 50-cent pieces in commemoration of the one-hundredth anniversary of the admission of Wisconsin into the Union as a State, was ordered favorably reported.

D. C. TAXES

Committee on the District of Columbia: Held executive session on H. R. 3737, tax bill of Representative Bates of Massachusetts, and ordered the bill, with one amendment, favorably reported. The bill provides an additional 1 cent tax on gasoline which it is estimated will produce \$1,600,000 of revenue; a tax increase of 25 cents per \$100 on tangible personal property and real estate is expected to produce \$4,000,000 of revenue; by broadening the base, individual and corporate income taxes are expected to yield \$3,100,000; while the Federal Government's contribution is to be increased by \$4,000,000, of which \$1,000,000 is earmarked for the water fund.

SURPLUS

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Department: Surplus Property Subcommittee continued hearings on general administrative policies of the War Assets Administration, and heard Robert M. Field, Associate Administrator, WAA; and Thomas P. Abbott, Deputy Administrator, Office of Customer Service, WAA. Hearings will continue on June 11.

FOREIGN AFFAIRS

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee on National and International Movements met in executive session.

NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Met in executive session to continue consideration of National Science Foundation legislation.

WARTIME POWERS—DISPLACED PERSONS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 4 held hearings on H. R. 3647, to extend certain powers of the President under title III of the Second War Powers Act, and heard Under Secretary of Commerce William C. Foster; H. B. McCoy, Director of Materials Distribution, Department of Commerce; Under Secretary of State Dean Acheson; Under Secretary of Agriculture N. E. Dodd; Capt. Wm. P. Fetzner, Materials Division, Office of Assistant Secretary of the Navy; Morse Salisbury, Deputy to Dr. Fitzgerald, Federal Emergency Food Council; J. S. McDaniel, secretary, Cordage Institute, New York City; James H. Grove, president, Grove Laboratories, St. Louis, Mo.; Ralph McGean, McGean Chemical Co., Cleveland, Ohio; R. Vandemater, vice president, R. W. Greeff & Co., Inc., New York, N. Y.; and A. H. Buckman, Vulcan De-Tinning Co., Sewaren, N. J.

Subcommittee on Immigration and Naturalization held hearings on H. R. 2910, to admit certain displaced persons into the United States, and heard Representative Mason; Gen. John H. Hilldring, Assistant Secretary of State; Rev. Samuel McCrea Cavert, representing the Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America, all of whom testified in support of the bill; and Capt. John B. Trevor, representing the American Coalition, who testified in opposition to the bill.

SEAMEN'S BILL OF RIGHTS

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Subcommittee on Ship Construction and Operation and Maritime Labor continued hearings on H. R. 476, to extend certain benefits to merchant seamen, and heard Godfrey Butler, Hall Jackson, and C. W. Sanders of the Maritime Commission. Hearings will continue on Monday.

LOYALTY

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Rees Subcommittee continued hearings on H. R. 3588, Federal Employees' Loyalty Act of 1947, and heard James B. Burns, president, American Federation of Government Employees, AFL; Luther Steward, president, American Federation of Federal Employees; Howard J. Ennis, board member, American Civil Liberties Union; Martin Popper, national vice president, National Lawyers Guild; and Samuel H. Jaffee, American Jewish Congress.

RECLAMATION

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation met in executive session on H. R. 2873, to amend the Reclamation Project Act of 1939.

FLOOD CONTROL

Committee on Public Works: Subcommittee on Flood Control held open hearing on H. R. 3146, to amend section 3 of the Flood Control Act, approved August 28, 1937, and heard Representatives Wilson and Whittington; Col. John L. Persons, Corps of Engineers; George Phillips, Office of Secretary of Agriculture; and Homer Wells, Soil Conservation Service, Department of Agriculture, all of whom testified in favor of the legislation. Subcommittee, in executive session, ordered the bill favorably reported to the full committee.

TAX REVISION

Committee on Ways and Means: Continued hearings on general tax revision and heard Clarence E. Bush,

National Office Machine Dealers Association, Washington, D. C.; Edward J. Toussaint, National Stationery Association (office outfitters), Washington, D. C.; Lawrence Callaghan, vice president, Todd Corp., Rochester, N. Y.; Joseph Gerl, president, Radio Manufacturers Association, Washington, D. C.; Donald C. Beclar, Aeronautical Radio, Inc., Washington, D. C.; and Maurice Paul, vice president, Philco Radio Corp., Philadelphia, Pa., all of whom recommended revisions of excise taxes. Hearings will continue next week.

Following an executive session, announcement was made of hearings to begin on June 17 on community property and family partnerships.

REPORT ON JOINT COMMITTEE MEETINGS

RENT CONTROL

Conferees on H. R. 3203, to extend rent control, after an executive session announced following agreements: To retain the local board provision of the Senate; to eliminate the provision transferring rent control to the States; and that the Housing Expediter administer the rent-control program. Conferees continue Wednesday.

BILL SIGNED BY THE PRESIDENT

(New Law)

(For last listing of public laws, see p. D242)

S. 565, relating to the taking of trial pieces of coins. Signed June 5, 1947 (P. L. 87).

Monday, June 9, 1947

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate debated the carrier agreements bill; House passed revenue raising measure for the District of Columbia.

Thirty-one reclamation, public lands, interstate oil compact, and private bills approved by Senate committees.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 6583-6588

Bills Introduced: Five bills were introduced, as follows: S. 1403-S. 1407. *Pages 6584-6585*

Bills Reported: Bills were reported as follows:

S. 30, to issue patents to certain settlers in Pyramid Lake Indian Reservation, Nevada (S. Rept. 244);

S. 686, to construct public school in Owyhee, Nev. (S. Rept. 245); and

Four private relief bills: S. 1360, H. R. 1221, 1482, and 1514 (S. Repts. 246-249, respectively). *Pages 6583-6584*

Carrier Agreements: Senate opened debate on S. 110, amending the Interstate Commerce Act relative to agreements between carriers. *Pages 6588-6620*

Veterans' Administration: House amendments to S. J. Res. 115, Veterans' Administration facilities in the Philippines, were agreed to, clearing the bill for the President. *Page 6620*

Nominations: The following nominations were received: Norman Armour, to be Assistant Secretary of State; David Chavez, Jr., to be United States district judge in Puerto Rico; together with five appointments in the Diplomatic and Foreign Service, and seven in the Coast and Geodetic Survey. *Page 6620*

Reports on Committee Meetings

STATE, JUSTICE, COMMERCE APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on H. R. 3311, State, Justice, Commerce appropriations bill, heard testimony from Robert Ramspeck, Air Transportation Association; Representatives Hébert and Cole (Mo.); and a representative of the N. Y. Port Authority. The committee also met on Saturday, June 7.

Subcommittee hearings have been tentatively set for H. R. 3493, Navy Department appropriations bill, June 11, and H. R. 3601, Agriculture Department appropriations bill, June 12.

INTERIOR APPROPRIATION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on H. R. 3123, Interior Department appropriation bill, continued "marking up" the bill.

HOUSING FOR DISABLED VETERANS

Committee on Banking and Currency: In public hearings on S. 1293, to enable the Veterans' Administration to provide housing units for certain disabled veterans, the committee received a letter from Administrator Bradley, setting forth the inability of the VA to recommend the bill, and heard supporting testimony from J. J. Rockefeller and Ray Bland of the VA. Testifying in support of the legislation were Bernard E. Shufelt and wife, Paralyzed Veterans Association, William C. Elsworth and wife, and Edwin Kircher, all of the McGuire Hospital, Richmond, Va.; and Robert Moss and wife, Paralyzed Veterans Association, Halloran Hospital, Staten Island, N. Y. Harold Sleeper, president, New York Chapter, American Institute of Architects, also testified.

GOVERNMENT CAFETERIAS

Committee on Civil Service: Subcommittee continued investigation of cafeterias in Federal buildings. Full committee meets tomorrow.

NURSERY BILL

Committee on the District of Columbia: Subcommittee on June 7 heard opposition testimony on S. 751, D. C. child nursery bill, from Commissioner Guy Mason; Raymond F. Clapp, director, Board of Public Welfare; Lucille Lewis, superintendent, Child Day Care Centers; and John Ihlder, National Capital Housing Authority. Gladys Cook, president, Board of Child Day Care Centers, testified in favor of the proposal.

OIL AGREEMENTS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Ralph Davies, special consultant to the Department of Interior; and Col. G. Vogel, Army-Navy Petroleum Board, testified in favor of Anglo-American oil agreements (Executive H. 79th). Russell Brown, Independent Petroleum Associates, and Benjamin Marsh, People's Lobby, appeared in opposition. Hearings adjourned subject to the call of the chair.

OIL COMPACTS, DISTRICT JUDGE, AND PRIVATE BILLS

Committee on the Judiciary: The nomination of Harold R. Medina, to be United States district judge for the southern district of N. Y., was reported favorably; S. J. Res. 122, granting congressional consent to an interstate oil compact to conserve oil and gas, and six private immigration and claims bills (H. R. 925, 651, 1221, 1482, 1514, and S. 1360) were also approved.

FEDERAL AID TO EDUCATION

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee on Education in executive session ordered reported to the full committee, with amendments, S. 472, to authorize Federal aid to States in financing their public elementary and secondary school systems.

VETERANS

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: in morning session, Veterans' Subcommittee heard Representative Wheeler, officials of the Veterans' Administration, and representatives of the American Legion and Veterans of Foreign Wars testify on H. R. 2181, to include "institutional on-farm training" in the education and training program for veterans.

In afternoon session, officials of Army and Navy testified as to the effect S. 1392, to prescribe termination dates of accrual rights of veterans for vocational rehabilitation, and for education, training, guarantee of loans, and readjustment allowances under the Servicemen's Readjustment Act, would have on their recruitment programs.

Subcommittee continues hearings on H. R. 2181 tomorrow morning, and meets in executive session on veterans' subsistence bills in afternoon.

RECLAMATION AND PUBLIC LANDS BILLS REPORTED

Committee on Public Lands: In executive session, committee approved 25 bills as follows: S. 483, to relocate boundaries and reduce area of Gila Federal reclamation project, with perfecting amendments; H. R. 3197, relative to construction of Mancos project; H. R. 3143, to construct Paonia Federal reclamation project, Colo.; H. R. 3151, to give certain water and land rights to Las Vegas, Nev.; H. R. 1628, to give certain land rights to Illinois; H. R. 2207, to convey lands to Shiloh National Military Park, Tenn.; H. R. 2852, to add lands to Otter Creek Rec-

reational Demonstration Area, Kentucky; S. 686, to construct public school in Owyhee, Nev., amended; H. R. 174, to make possible exploration and mining of gold and other metals in streams of Alaska; H. R. 2369, to suspend annual assessment work on mining claims in Alaska; S. 30, to issue patents to certain settlers in Pyramid Lake

Indian Reservation, Nevada; S. 1317, to give members of Crow Tribe power to manage restricted lands; H. R. 3348, relative to construction of Coachella Division of All-American Canal irrigation project; and 12 private bills issuing land patents (S. 310-S. 313, S. 402, S. 403, S. 499, S. 500, S. 542, S. 608, S. 713, and S. 714).

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Eighteen public bills, H. R. 3756-3773; four private bills, H. R. 3774-3777; and two resolutions, H. J. Res. 213 and 214, were introduced.

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Bills Reported: Bills were reported as follows:

H. R. 3756, Government corporations appropriation bill for 1948 (H. Rept. 544);

H. R. 553, for relief of Arsenio Acacio Lewis (H. Rept. 545);

H. R. 1486, authorizing Secretary of the Interior to issue to Alice Scott White a patent in fee to certain land (H. Rept. 546);

H. R. 2151, authorizing Secretary of the Interior to issue a patent in fee to Erle E. Howe (H. Rept. 547);

H. R. 3106, amending U. S. Geological Survey Organic Act by incorporating therein substantive provisions confirming exercise of long-continued duties and redefining their geographic scope (H. Rept. 548);

H. R. 2878, amending act (45 Stat. 602), as amended, to revise census roll of California Indians provided for therein (H. Rept. 549);

H. R. 3022, promoting mining of coal, phosphate, sodium, potassium, oil, oil shale, gas, and sulfur on lands acquired by the United States (H. Rept. 550); and

S. 1230 amend National Housing Act, relating to time extension of authority of FHA to insure home renovation and modernization loans under the act (H. Rept. 551).

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Right-of-Way: Agreed to Senate amendment to H. R. 1288, granting a private right-of-way to Roscoe L. Wood, by authority of the Secretary of the Interior, thus clearing the bill for President's signature.

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Life Insurance: Passed H. R. 1634, amending act to regulate D. C. life-insurance regulations, relating to use to mortality tables.

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Taxation: Passed and sent to the Senate H. R. 3737, amending income-tax law and raising additional revenue for the District of Columbia. Defeated an amendment to impose a 2-percent sales tax and a motion to recommit, with instructions to increase the revenue, offered by Representative Horan. Besides sundry com-

mittee amendments which were adopted, an amendment proposed by Representative O'Hara, to exempt Federal employees having State domiciles from the income tax, was also adopted.

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Reports on Committee Meetings

FARM PROGRAM—POTATOES

Committee on Agriculture: June 7, continued hearings on long-range farm program and heard Chester C. Davis, president, Federal Reserve Bank, St. Louis, and vice chairman of the research and policy committee of the Committee for Economic Development.

June 9, Subcommittee on Food and Agricultural Production considered H. Res. 166, relating to the potato surplus, and heard Representative Shafer; Jack Schafer, president, Peter Pan Bakeries, Detroit, Mich.; Orville D. Judd, chairman, Virginia State Restaurant Association, Richmond, Va.; Edward Kepeltka, baking technologist, Siebel Institute of Technology, Chicago, Ill.; Kris Bemis, potato division, United Fresh Fruit & Vegetable Association; and S. R. Smith, director, fruit and vegetable branch, Production and Marketing Administration, Department of Agriculture.

MILITARY

Committee on Armed Services: Personnel Subcommittee met in executive session for further consideration of H. R. 2536 and H. R. 2537, Army and Navy promotion bills.

Retirement Subcommittee met in executive session for further consideration of various retirement bills. Meeting continues tomorrow.

Pay and Administration Subcommittee met in executive session for further consideration of H. R. 3174 and H. R. 3254, pay increase for doctors.

Posts and Stations Subcommittee held hearings on H. R. 3314, Navy public works bill, and heard Adm. D. C. Ramsey, USN, Vice Chief of Naval Operations; Rear Adm. J. J. Manning, USN, Chief, Bureau of Yards and Docks; Rear Adm. J. L. Holloway, USN, Superintendent, USNA; Vice Adm. D. B. Duncan, USN, Deputy Chief of Naval Operations for Air; Capt. Thomas F. Darden, USN, Assistant Chief of Naval Personnel; Vice Adm. Earle W. Mills, USN, Chief Bureau of Ships; Capt. David R. Hull, USN, Assistant Chief, Bureau of Ships;

and Capt. Colby G. Rucker, USN, Overseas Planner, Naval Operations; all of whom testified favorably. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

SUGAR

Committee on Banking and Currency: June 7, held hearings on H. R. 3312 and H. R. 3388, to discontinue sugar allocation and control for home consumption, and heard Secretary of Agriculture Clinton P. Anderson and Sugar Director James H. Marshall, who testified in favor of continued allocation and controls; and Representative Crawford, who testified in favor of releasing controls for household use.

June 9, continued hearings on these bills and heard Senator McCarthy, who testified in favor of releasing controls for home consumption and especially for canning purposes.

REORGANIZATION (HOUSING)

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Held hearings on Reorganization Plan No. 3 of 1947 and heard Frederick J. Lawton, Acting Director, Bureau of the Budget, who testified in favor of the President's Plan No. 3; and George W. West, president, First Federal Savings and Loan Association, Atlanta, Ga., who testified in opposition to the President's Plan No. 3.

NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Met in executive session to continue consideration of National Science Foundation legislation.

JUDICIAL

Committee on the Judiciary: June 7, Subcommittee No. 3 ordered favorably reported to the full committee H. R. 2966, relating to Coast Guard commissioned officers presiding at the taking of certain evidence; and H. R. 1391, amending provisions relating to the oath of Speaker, Members, and Delegates of the House of Representatives, with amendment.

June 9, Subcommittee No. 1 heard Representative Lea in support of resolutions proposing to amend the Constitution with respect to election of President and Vice President.

Subcommittee on Patents, Trade-Marks, and Copyrights continued public hearings on H. R. 1269, H. R. 1270, and H. R. 2570, regarding entertainment copyrights, and heard Representative Bloom; Fred Ahlert, representing Songwriters Protective Association; Don Petty, general counsel, National Association of Broadcasters; Maurice Speiser, National Association of Performing Artists; Herman Finkelstein, counsel, ASCAP; and John Schulman, Songwriters Protective Association.

SEAMEN'S BILL OF RIGHTS

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Subcommittee on Ship Construction and Operation and Maritime Labor continued hearings on H. R. 476, to

extend certain benefits to merchant seamen, and heard Admiral Emory S. Land, former Chairman of the United States Maritime Commission; and Wm. McCauley, Director, Employees Compensation Commission.

RETIREMENT

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Subcommittee on Retirement held hearings on H. R. 3232, Civil Service Retirement bill, and heard Warren Irons, Chief, Retirement Division, Civil Service Commission; and Russell R. Reagh, Board of Actuaries, Civil Service Retirement and Disability Fund.

ALASKA HOMESTEAD—SYNTHETIC FUELS

Committee on Public Lands: June 7, Subcommittee on Public Lands held hearings on H. R. 868 and H. R. 1548, homesteading in Alaska by veterans, and heard F. B. Wagner, of Wrangel, Alaska, who testified against certain features of the bills; Assistant Secretary of Agriculture Charles F. Brannon; Assistant Chief Forester C. M. Granger; Regional Forester in Alaska Frank Heintzman; O. S. Aamodt; and Robert K. Coop, Assistant Chief, Bureau of Land Planning, Bureau of Land Management.

Subcommittee on Indian Affairs ordered favorably reported to the full committee H. R. 2361, to clear up the legal status of a treaty with the Delaware Indians.

June 9, Subcommittee on Mines and Mining held hearings on various bills and heard Jacob M. Wasserman, Chief Counsel, Bureau of Land Management, Department of the Interior, who testified on H. R. 2867 and H. R. 2186; and Dr. W. C. Schroeder, Chief, Fields and Explosive Branch, Bureau of Mines, who gave a detailed account of the work being carried on in synthetic fuels, and testified in favor of H. R. 2161, operation of demonstration plants to produce synthetic liquid fuels from coal, oil, shale, etc. Subcommittee ordered H. R. 2161 favorably reported to the full committee.

POWER PROJECTS

Committee on Public Works: Resumed hearings on H. R. 3036, transfer of jurisdiction over certain power projects and transmission lines, and heard Richard L. Arnold, general counsel, Southwestern Gas & Electric Co.; and N. T. Veatch, consulting engineer, Kansas City, Mo., both of whom testified in favor of the bill. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

BILLS SIGNED BY THE PRESIDENT

(New Laws)

(For last listing of public laws, see p. D246)

S. 583, to exchange lands for Silver Creek recreational demonstration project, Oregon. Signed June 9, 1947 (P. L. 88);

S. 993, reincorporation of the Export-Import Bank. Signed June 9, 1947 (P. L. 89); and

S. 1022, to authorize adequate White House Police Force. Signed June 9, 1947 (P. L. 90).

Tuesday, June 10, 1947

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate continued debate on carrier agreements; House passed disapproval resolution of President's Reorganization Plan relating to USES and Wage and Hour Administration transfers, and continued debate on foreign information exchange bill.

Bills on Army enlistments, civil service, UNRRA, and District of Columbia courthouse, Foreign Service nominations and narcotic convention approved by Senate groups.

Bills terminating family sugar rationing and disapproving President's Reorganization Plan on Housing ordered reported by House committees.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 6880-6885

Bills Introduced: Five bills and three resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1408-S. 1412; S. J. Res. 124, 125; and S. Res. 123. Page 6681

Bills Reported: Bills were reported as follows:

H. R. 1628, to give certain land rights to Illinois (S. Rept. 250);

H. R. 2207, to convey lands to Shiloh National Military Park, Tenn. (S. Rept. 251);

H. R. 2852, to add lands to Otter Creek Recreational Demonstration Area, Kentucky (S. Rept. 252);

H. R. 3143, to construct Paonia Federal reclamation project, Colorado (S. Rept. 253);

H. R. 3151, to give certain water and land rights to Las Vegas, Nev. (S. Rept. 254);

H. R. 3197, relative to construction of Mancos project (S. Rept. 255);

H. R. 3348, relative to construction of Coachella Division of All-American Canal irrigation project (S. Rept. 256);

S. 1306, relating to the construction and disposition of the San Jacinto-San Vicente aqueduct (S. Rept. 257);

H. R. 174, to make possible exploration and mining of gold and other metals in streams of Alaska (S. Rept. 258); and

H. R. 2369, to suspend annual assessment work on mining claims in Alaska (S. Rept. 259). Pages 6680-6681

Bills Referred: The following House-passed bills were referred to committee indicated: H. R. 1634 and 3737 (Committee on the District of Columbia). (For passage in House, see Digest, p. D248.) Page 6682

Carrier Agreements: Senate continued debate on S. 110, amending ICC Act relative to agreements between carriers. Pages 6685-6693, 6701-6706, 6709-6716

Confirmations: The following appointments were confirmed: Dwight P. Griswold, to be chief of the American Mission for Aid to Greece; Richard F. Allen, field administrator of United States Foreign Relief Program; Monnett B. Davis, United States representative for the Economic Commission for Asia and the Far East; Norman Armour, to be Assistant Secretary of State; Emmet O'Neal, to be Ambassador to the Philippines; together with 43 appointments in the Diplomatic and Foreign Service. Page 6721

Nominations: Senate received 28 postmaster nominations. Page 6721

Reports on Committee Meetings

STATE, JUSTICE, COMMERCE APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Hearings on H. R. 3311, State, Justice, Commerce appropriations bill, continued before subcommittee with testimony from Secretary of State George C. Marshall, and Assistant Secretary for Economic Affairs Willard L. Thorp.

INTERIOR APPROPRIATION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on H. R. 3123, Interior Department appropriation bill, completed "marking up" the bill. Full committee is expected to meet on June 13.

NAVY APPROPRIATION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on H. R. 3493, Navy Department appropriation bill, held organizational meeting and announced that hearings would start tomorrow.

ARMY ENLISTMENTS AND AIRPORTS

Committee on Armed Services: Committee approved with amendments S. 1218, to continue after July 1, au-

thority to receive voluntary enlistments in the Regular Army and to establish the periods of service.

Committee heard Frank Murphy, chairman of the Connecticut Aviation Commission; Senator McMahon; and Arthur Manley, of the WAA, on S. 364, to expedite the disposition of Government surplus airports. Action on the bill was held over until a later date.

HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: Committee met in executive session on Reorganization Plan No. 3 of 1947, dealing with housing, and announced hearings on it next Tuesday with testimony from officials of the Housing Administration. On Wednesday, June 18, the committee will hear testimony from interested individuals.

Full committee meets tomorrow on regulations of bank holding companies.

CIVIL SERVICE BILLS

Committee on Civil Service: A poll was ordered taken from Senators not present to complete committee's favorable action on S. 263, to appoint a Superintendent of Star Route Service in the Post Office Department. The following three bills were also approved for reporting: S. 995, to extend Civil Service retirement benefits to officers and employees of the Columbia Institution for the Deaf; S. 1324, to extend civil service retirement benefits to officers and employees of the National Library for the Blind; and S. 749, to provide for a Resident Commissioner from the Virgin Islands, to be elected every 2 years.

Subcommittee reports were received on S. 999, modifying provisions relating to veterans' preference in Government employment, recommending that 10-point-preference veterans shall obtain a passing mark of 70 in civil-service examination, and that they be certified as 30 percent disabled at the time of examination; and on S. 680, to credit veterans with periods of vocational training for retirement purposes, recommending that favorable action on bill be withheld for further study.

The committee then appointed seven subcommittees and assigned various bills respectively to each for study.

POSTAL SERVICE

Committee on Civil Service: In afternoon session, subcommittee held hearings on various bills on postal service and employees thereof (S. 203, 636, 674, 685, 785, 808, 930, 1066, and 1082).

SURPLUS MACHINE TOOLS

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Subcommittee on Surplus Property investigating the joint Army-Navy machine tool program heard the following witnesses: General J. A. Mollison, Deputy Administrator; Rosary Wilcox, Liaison Offices; and A. A. Throckmorton, all of the WAA.

FOREIGN SERVICE APPOINTMENTS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee unanimously reported five nominations, later confirmed by the Senate. It also approved Executive N, protocol to amend convention on narcotic drugs; S. J. Res. 124, permitting the use of certain funds for the liquidation of UNRRA; and sundry nominations in the Diplomatic and Foreign Service.

TRAVEL RESTRICTIONS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee on S. Res. 111, travel restrictions, opened hearings with testimony from Secretary of Commerce W. Averell Harriman; Harry G. Tarrington, Acting Assistant CAA Administrator for Foreign Operations; and Ugo Carusi, Immigration and Naturalization Commissioner. Hearings continue tomorrow.

EMERGENCY POWERS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee heard Government witnesses testify on S. J. Res. 123, to terminate emergency war powers of the President.

EXPORT CONTROL

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee heard the following witnesses testify in support of continuing export control: Captain R. A. Conway, President's Coordinator of Shipping, and Lt. Col. R. F. Hartman, Civil Affairs Division, War Department.

VETERANS

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: In morning session, Veterans' Subcommittee held hearings on H. R. 2181, to include "institutional on-farm training" in the education and training program for veterans, to receive testimony from representatives of educational and farm organizations of Massachusetts, Illinois, Wisconsin, and Michigan, and officers of the AMVETS and AVC.

In afternoon executive session, it ordered favorably reported to the full committee, without amendment, S. 1392, to prescribe termination dates of accrual rights of veterans for vocational rehabilitation, and for education, training, guarantee of loans, and readjustment allowances under the Servicemen's Readjustment Act, and without recommendation S. 986, to provide on-the-job training for lawyers with less than 2 years of active practice.

MINERALS

Committee on Public Lands: National Resources Economic Subcommittee met on the subject of production and marketing of minerals and basic raw materials in the United States, and received testimony from Henry G. Hilken and Rodolfo A. Correa, Department of Justice; and William L. Clayton, Under Secretary of State for Economic Affairs. Hearings continue Thursday.

D. C. COURTHOUSE AND FWA LOANS

Committee on Public Works: In executive session, it approved S. 451, to permit the use of Capitol Park Hotel for Federal courts in the District until a courthouse can be constructed.

Committee tabled S. 1008, relative to loans by the FWA under War Mobilization and Reconversion Act.

Subcommittee on Public Buildings announced hearings on S. 1231, to determine market value of Fidelity Building in Kansas City, Thursday, June 12.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Nine public bills, H. R. 3778-3786; four private bills, H. R. 3787-3790; and three resolutions, H. Res. 235-237, were introduced.

Pages 6721, 6750

Bills Reported: Bills and resolutions were reported, as follows:

H. Res. 235, rule waiving points of order against H. R. 3756, Government corporation appropriations bill for 1948 (H. Rept. 552);

H. R. 3372, authorizing certain agreements with respect to rights in helium-bearing lands in Navajo Indian Reservation, N. Mex. (H. Rept. 553);

Disposal of certain executive papers (H. Rept. 554); S. 50, for relief of Joseph Achrimowski (H. Rept. 555); and

H. R. 3612, termination of sugar rationing for home consumption (H. Rept. 556).

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Labor: Passed H. Con. Res. 49, expressing disapproval of the President's Reorganization Plan No. 2, which would have the USES administered by the Department of Labor instead of reverting to the Social Security Board, and the function of the Wage-and-Hour Administrator transferred to the Secretary of Labor.

Pages 6722-6740

Foreign Information Exchange: Resumed consideration of H. R. 3342, the Federal information and exchange program with foreign countries, and read the bill for amendment. The House, in Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union, rejected a preferential motion offered by Representative Mason to strike out the enacting clause, by a vote of 119 nays to 92 yeas. After adopting sundry committee amendments, further consideration of the bill was postponed until Thursday, June 12.

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Order of Business: Agreed to dispense with Calendar Wednesday business of Wednesday, June 11. Page 6757

Reports on Committee Meetings**POTATOES**

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee on Food and Agricultural Production held hearings on H. Res. 166, potato surplus investigation, and heard S. R. Smith,

Director, Fruit and Vegetable Branch, United States Department of Agriculture. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

MILITARY

Committee on Armed Services: Retirement Subcommittee met in executive session to continue discussion on H. R. 2744, Army Vitalization and Retirement Equalization Act of 1946.

Posts and Stations Subcommittee held hearings on H. R. 3314, Navy public works bill, and heard Rear Adm. J. J. Manning, USN, Chief, Bureau of Yards and Docks; Rear Adm. W. A. Buck, USN, Chief, Bureau of Supplies and Accounts; and Rear Adm. A. M. Pride, USN, Chief, Bureau of Aeronautics; all of whom testified favorably.

SUGAR—CONSUMER CREDIT

Committee on Banking and Currency: Met in executive session on H. R. 3612 and H. R. 3688, termination of sugar rationing, and ordered favorably reported without amendment H. R. 3612, to terminate allocation and rationing of refined sugar among users for home consumption upon the date of enactment.

Committee also held hearing on consumer credit and heard Chairman Marriner S. Eccles, Federal Reserve Board, who testified in favor of legislation authorizing the Federal Reserve Board to regulate installment buying.

REORGANIZATION—NATIONAL SECURITY ACT OF 1947

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Met to consider Reorganization Plan No. 3 of 1947, and voted to report out H. Con. Res. 51, which expresses disapproval of the Plan.

Committee also resumed hearings on H. R. 2319, National Security Act of 1947, and heard Secretary of the Navy Forrestal and Col. Melvin J. Maas. Hearings will continue tomorrow for further testimony from Col. Maas.

FOREIGN AFFAIRS

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Met in executive session on H. R. 2675, Philippine Rehabilitation Act of 1947. Meeting will continue tomorrow.

NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION—CAB

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Met in executive session to consider National Science Foundation legislation. Meeting will continue tomorrow.

Following the executive session, announcement was made that the following committee members, Representatives Wolverton, Hinshaw, O'Hara, Scott of Pennsylvania, Bulwinkle, and Priest, would attend the CAB hearing in New York on June 11, in connection with the United Airlines accident at LaGuardia Field on May 29.

JUDICIAL

Committee on the Judiciary: Met in executive session and ordered favorably reported one private immigration bill (S. 50); and considered H. R. 1639, to amend the Employers' Liability Act so as to limit venue in actions brought in United States district courts or in State courts under such act.

SHIP SALES

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Subcommittee on Ship Sales, Charters, and Lay-ups continued hearings on Ship Sales Act of 1946 and heard Donald S. Morrison, president, American-Hawaiian Steamship Co.; Rear Adm. W. W. Smith, Chairman, Maritime Commission; Grenville Mellen, Commissioner, Maritime Commission; and Paul Sullivan, of the Maritime Commission. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

LOYALTY—CENSUS

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Rees subcommittee held hearings on H. R. 3588, Federal Employees' Loyalty Act of 1947, and heard Harry Hayden, American Legion; John C. Williamson, VFW; and Wm. A. Christianson, DAV, all of whom testified in favor of the bill.

Census Subcommittee met in executive session and ordered favorably reported to the full committee H. R. 1821, providing for census of manufactures, mineral industries, and other businesses every fifth year.

PUBLIC LANDS

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Public Lands met on various bills and heard Representative Knutson, who spoke in favor of H. R. 3614, Brainerd War Dead National Memorial; and Representative Engle, of California, who spoke in behalf of H. R. 3175, to add certain lands to Shasta National Forest. Both bills, with amendments, were ordered favorably reported to the full committee.

PUBLIC WORKS

Committee on Public Works: Held executive session and ordered favorably reported to the House the following

bills: H. R. 2955, authorizing sale of Fidelity Building, Kansas City, Mo.; H. R. 3219, appointing special policemen for protection of Federal property; and H. R. 3146, amending section 3 of Flood Control Act of 1937.

Committee also continued hearings on H. R. 3036, transfer of jurisdiction over certain power projects and transmission lines, and heard L. C. Sutton, Carolina Power & Light Co.

RULES

Committee on Rules: Heard Chairman Taber, of the Committee on Appropriations, and Representative Jensen favor a resolution to provide the rule waiving all points of order against H. R. 3756, Government corporations appropriation bill for 1948. The resolution was ordered favorably reported.

VETERANS' HOUSING

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Held hearings on H. R. 2101 and H. R. 3532, special housing for paraplegic veterans, and heard Representative Kersten, sponsor of H. R. 3532, who explained the bill; Robert Moss (paraplegic veteran), executive secretary, Eastern Paralyzed Veterans' Association, who spoke in favor of the bill; Bernard E. Shufelt, paraplegic veteran from McGuire Hospital, who spoke in favor of the bill; and Mrs. Robert Moss, wife of paraplegic veteran, also testified.

TAX REVISION

Committee on Ways and Means: Continued hearings on general tax revision and heard William C. Babbitt, managing director, National Association of Photographic Manufacturers, Inc., New York, N. Y.; R. J. Wilkinson, executive manager, Master Photo Dealers' & Finishers' Association, Jackson, Mich.; A. K. Barta, representing the non-beverage alcohol interest, Washington, D. C.; James J. Donovan and Neil F. Deighan, National Tavern Association, New York, N. Y.; George H. Frates, the National Association of Retail Druggists, Washington, D. C.; Jacob Reck, counsel, National Beauty & Barber Manufacturers' Association, Washington, D. C.; and Joseph Byrne, secretary, Beauty & Barber Supply Institute, Inc., New York, N. Y., all of whom testified in favor of a modification and reduction of excise taxes. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

TIRES

Select Committee on Small Business: Stevenson subcommittee met in executive session on the tire situation.

REPORT ON JOINT COMMITTEE MEETINGS**WOOL PRICE SUPPORT**

Conferees on S. 814, to establish a wool price support program, met in executive session but made no announcement of action taken. They continue tomorrow.

Wednesday, June 11, 1947

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate continued debate on carrier agreements; House passed Government corporations appropriations bill for 1948, and reported the second urgent deficiency measure for 1947.

Senate committees opened hearings on antidiscrimination, coal-mine safety regulations, and second war-powers extension.

Emergency flood-control bill ordered reported by House group; House committees opened hearings on universal military training and pollution control.

Conferees acted on rent and wool bills.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 6758-6761.

Bills Introduced: Eighteen bills and four resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1413-S. 1430; S. J. Res. 126-127; S. Con. Res. 18; and S. Res. 124.

Pages 6759-6760

Bills Reported: Bills were reported as follows:

S. 451, to use Capitol Park Hotel for Federal courts in the District (S. Rept. 260); and

S. 403, authorizing issuance of a land patent (S. Rept. 261).

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Bill Referred: The following House-passed bill was referred to the committee indicated: H. Con. Res. 49 (Committee on Labor and Public Welfare). (For passage in House, see Digest, p. D252.)

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Carrier Agreements: Senate continued debate on S. 110, amending ICC Act relative to agreements between carriers.

Pages 6761-6792

Confirmations: The following nominations were confirmed: Andrew N. Overby, to be United States Executive Director of the International Monetary Fund; Bryce R. Holt, to be United States attorney for the middle district of North Carolina; Thomas M. Robinson, to be Collector of Internal Revenue in Montana; together with 9,213 appointments in the Army and 182 in the Navy.

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LAND BANKS

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: In executive session the committee agreed to take no further action at this time on S. 925, to transfer the Land Bank Commissioner Loan Service to the Federal Land Bank System.

NAVY APPROPRIATION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on H. R. 3493, Navy Department appropriation bill, in executive session heard Navy Secretary Forrestal and Admiral Nimitz.

STATE, JUSTICE, COMMERCE APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on H. R. 3311, State, Justice, Commerce appropriations bill, heard testimony from officials of the State Department.

BANK HOLDING COMPANIES

Committee on Banking and Currency: Marriner Eccles, Chairman of the Board of Governors, Federal Reserve System, appeared before the committee on S. 829, to provide for control and regulation of bank holding companies, to reply to criticism against the bill by Arthur J. Morris, former president of the Morris Plan Bank Corp. of America. Mr. Morris also was heard further in opposition to the bill.

GOVERNMENT CAFETERIAS

Committee on Civil Service: Subcommittee met in executive session on investigation of cafeterias in Federal buildings, but made no announcement of action taken.

ST. LAWRENCE WATERWAY

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on S. J. Res. 111, St. Lawrence Waterway, heard first group of opposition witnesses, as follows: Senators Saltonstall and Lodge; Gilbert Johnson, L. C. Sabin, and J. J. Bolland, representing Lake Carriers Association; Alex Brown, Cleveland-Cliffs Iron Co.; J. H. Parmelee, Association of American Railroads; Russell Willson, National St. Lawrence Project Conference; Follett Bradley; Henry E. Foley, New England Project Conference in Opposition to St. Lawrence Waterway; Walter Maloney, National Federation of American Shipping; Miss T.

Sedweek, Frontier Planning Board; A. S. Bodin, Western Pennsylvania Coal Operators Association; William L. Nollman; Frank B. Davis, Boston Chamber of Commerce; Walter Parker, New Orleans Interior Bureau of Economics; R. Granville Curry, attorney, Albany Port Commission; and Charles L. Raper, Syracuse Chamber of Commerce. Hearings continue tomorrow.

TRAVEL RESTRICTIONS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee on S. Res. 111, travel restrictions, heard testimony from the following: Emory S. Land, Air Transport Association; Charles Gallo, Director of Traffic, TWA Airlines; John Leslie, Pan American; Herbert S. Schneider, attorney for Caribbean and Atlantic Airlines; C. A. Richards, National Foreign Trade Council; Harold Wahl, Peninsular & Occidental Steamship Co.; and Albert K. Dawson, of Wendel T. Colton advertising agency. Hearings resume June 13.

SECOND WAR POWERS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee heard the following witnesses in support of extension of Second War Powers Act in accordance with the President's message of May 23, 1947: Under Secretary of Commerce William C. Foster; Under Secretary of Agriculture N. E. Dodd; Assistant Secretary of State C. Tyler Wood; and H. B. McCoy, Frank E. Bennett, and Franklin F. Kidd, all of the Department of Commerce.

In an afternoon session, four witnesses representing industry were heard in opposition to extension.

ANTIDISCRIMINATION

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: The following witnesses testified in support of S. 984, to prohibit discrimination in employment because of race, religion, color, national origin, or ancestry: Senators Ives and Chavez; Dr. Beverly M. Boyd, Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America, New York; Rev. Edward Cardinal, director, Shiel School of Social Studies, Chicago; Rabbi William Rosenblum, president, Synagogue Council of America, New York; and A. Philip Randolph, National Council for Permanent F. E. P. C., Washington. Hearings continue tomorrow.

COAL MINE SAFETY REGULATIONS

Committee on Public Lands: Senator Kilgore testified before subcommittee in support of S. 100, to prescribe health and safety regulations for coal mines; Dr. R. R. Sayers, director of Bureau of Mines, supported the bill with amendments; Harrison Combs, UMW, opposed the bill in its present form due to provisions on injunctions and delegation of authority to the Secretary of Interior, and failure of setting up "positive safety standards."

TONGASS FOREST—TIMBER

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee met on S. J. Res. 118, to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to sell timber within the Tongass National Forest, and heard officials of the Interior and Agriculture Departments support the legislation and an attorney for Indian tribes in Alaska oppose it. This concludes the hearings.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Fourteen public bills, H. R. 3791-3804; two private bills, H. R. 3805 and 3806; and six resolutions, H. Res. 238-243, and H. J. Res. 215, were introduced.

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Bills Reported: Bills and resolutions were reported, as follows:

H. R. 3791, second urgent deficiency appropriation bill for 1947 (H. Rept. 557);

H. R. 3303, to stimulate voluntary enlistments in the Regular Army (H. Rept. 558);

Two private claims bills, H. R. 649 (H. Rept. 559) and H. R. 379 (H. Rept. 560);

H. Res. 242, rule providing 1 hour general debate on H. R. 3612, termination of sugar rationing for home consumption (H. Rept. 561); and

H. Res. 243, rule providing consideration of H. R. 966, which amends Veterans' Preference Act of 1944 relating to appeals from a Federal agency discharge or suspension by a preference-eligible (H. Rept. 562).

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Government Corporations Appropriation: Adopted the rule, H. Res. 235, waiving all points of order against H. R. 3756, Government corporations appropriations bill for 1948.

Thereafter completed consideration of H. R. 3756, the eighth of the regular departmental appropriation bills, granting \$36,097,580 to the Tennessee Valley Authority, National Housing Agency, Export-Import Bank, and other Government-owned corporations; passed the bill with a minor committee amendment and sent it to the Senate.

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Reports on Committee Meetings

FARM PROGRAM

Committee on Agriculture: Continued hearings on long-range farm program and heard John Brandt, president, National Cooperative Milk Producers Association; and M. H. Brightman, Dairy Industry Committee.

UNIVERSAL MILITARY TRAINING

Committee on Armed Services: Held hearings on the subject of Universal Military Training and heard Dr. Karl T. Compton, of the President's Commission on Universal Training, who testified in support of such a program.

Committee also ordered favorably reported to the House H. R. 3303, to stimulate enlistments in the Regular Army.

D. C. PUBLIC WELFARE

Committee on the District of Columbia: Subcommittee on Health, Education, and Recreation held hearings on H. R. 498 and H. R. 499, relating to public welfare, and heard Commissioner Guy Mason; Vernon E. West, Corporation Counsel; Edgar A. Morris, Chairman, Board of Public Welfare; Raymond F. Clapp, Acting Director, Department of Public Welfare; Frank M. Thompson, corresponding secretary and treasurer, Logan-Thomas Circle Citizens' Association; and Mrs. Hester Stole, American Association of Social Workers. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

NATIONAL SECURITY ACT OF 1947—SURPLUS

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Continued hearings on H. R. 2319, National Security Act of 1947, and heard Col. Melvin J. Maas, national president, Marine Corps Reserve Officers Association; and John Bracken, president, Reserve Officers of Naval Service, both of whom testified in opposition to the bill.

Surplus Property Subcommittee concluded hearings on the general administrative policy of the War Assets Administration, and heard J. J. Wadsworth, formerly director of Public Interest and Veterans Division of WAA.

FOREIGN AFFAIRS

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Met in executive session on H. R. 2675, Philippine Rehabilitation Act of 1946; and S. 1005, to amend the act of June 28, 1935, entitled "An act to authorize participation by the United States in the Interparliamentary Union." S. 1005 was ordered favorably reported to the House. Session will continue tomorrow on H. R. 2675.

EXPENDITURE AUTHORIZATIONS

Committee on House Administration: Full committee in executive session ordered reported the following resolu-

tions, all of which authorize various expenditures: H. Res. 94, H. Res. 163, H. Res. 177, H. Res. 185, H. Res. 228, and H. Res. 233.

Subcommittee on Accounts met in executive session.

SALT

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Food and Drug Subcommittee held hearings on H. R. 2717, to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (with respect to salt), and heard Representative Bolton; Dr. O. P. Kimball, Cleveland, Ohio; Hon. Watson B. Miller, Administrator, Federal Security Agency; Culver S. Ladd, Agriculture Department, testifying in place of Dr. James R. Wilson, secretary, Council on Foods and Nutrition, American Medical Association, Chicago, Ill.; Dr. Haven Emerson, chairman, subcommittee on evaluation of administrative practices, the American Public Health Association, New York City; Dr. William H. Sebrell, Chief, Division of Physiology, Public Health Service; and Charles W. Crawford, Associate Commissioner, Food and Drug Administration, all of whom testified in favor of the bill; and Dr. E. J. Cameron, National Canners Association, Washington, D. C.; W. G. Wilcox, president, Mulkey Salt Co., and chairman, standardization committee of the Salt Producers Association, Detroit, Mich.; J. A. Clements, member, standardization committee of the Salt Producers Association and executive vice president, Morton Salt Co., Chicago, Ill.; and James B. Wescott, general counsel, Salt Producers Association, Chicago, Ill., all of whom testified in opposition to the bill. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

JUDICIAL

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 1 continued hearings on H. J. Res. 9, 69, 106, 108, and 124, resolutions proposing to amend the Constitution relative to the election of President and Vice President, and heard Representatives Gearhart, Welch, Celler, Kefauver, and Gossett; and Ralph W. Donnelly.

Subcommittee No. 2 held hearings on bills to amend the Federal Tort Claims Act and heard Representatives Celler, Hobbs, Grant, Monroney, Donohue, Rains, Boykin, and Heselton; Dr. George Galloway, Legislative Reference Service, Library of Congress; Wm. L. Ellis, Assistant to the Comptroller General; and Capt. Chester Ward, Office of the Judge Advocate General, Navy Department.

Subcommittee on Patents, Trade-Marks, and Copyrights held hearings on bills relating to copyrights and heard Sidney H. Levine, counsel, Automatic Music Operators Association, Inc.; Ralph E. Curtis, counsel, Associated Tavern Owners of America; and Lewis Frohlich, counsel, ASCAP.

Subcommittee on Bankruptcy and Reorganization met in executive session and considered H. R. 3237, railroad reorganization bill.

MERCHANT MARINE AND FISHERIES

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Subcommittee on Conservation of Wildlife Resources met in executive session and ordered favorably reported to the full committee H. R. 107, relating to wildlife areas in California.

Subcommittee on Ship Sales, Charters, and Lay-ups held hearings on coastal and intercoastal trade and heard W. W. Smith, Chairman, Maritime Commission, and other members of the Commission.

Subcommittee on Coast Guard, Coast and Geodetic Survey, and Public Health Service held hearings on H. R. 1674, relating to discharge certificates to temporary members of the Coast Guard Reserve, and H. R. 3539, relating to the construction of a chapel at the Coast Guard Academy, and heard Representative Anderson and Adm. J. F. Farley; Capt. A. C. Richmond of the Coast Guard; and Charles H. Fleming and H. S. Garber of the Coast Guard League.

Full committee met to consider Ship Sales Act and heard Secretary George Marshall and Hon. William Clayton of the State Department.

HAWAII

Committee on Public Lands: Held hearings on various bills on Hawaii and heard Governor Ingram M. Stainback of Hawaii, who favored passage of all bills; and Irwin Silverman, counsel, Division of Territories, Department of the Interior, who also recommended enactment of the legislation. Subcommittee ordered favorably reported to the full committee the following bills: H. R. 3266, authorizing the issuance of certain public-improvement bonds by the Territory of Hawaii; H. R. 3376, to ratify and confirm Act 10 of the Session Laws of Hawaii, 1947, extending the time within which revenue bonds may be issued and delivered under chapter 118, Revised Laws of Hawaii, 1945; and H. R. 3679, to enable the legislature of the Territory of Hawaii to authorize the city and county of Honolulu, a municipal corporation, to issue sewer bonds.

POLLUTION—PUBLIC BUILDINGS—FLOOD CONTROL

Committee on Public Works: Held hearings on H. R. 123, H. R. 315, and H. R. 470, pollution-control bills, and heard Representatives Mundt and Spence; Dr. Thomas Parran, Surgeon General, U. S. Public Health Service; Fred M. Packard, National Parks Association; R. W. Digges, Hampton Roads Sanitation Commission; John K. Hoskins, chief, Sanitary Engineering Division, U. S. Public Health Service; E. W. Tinker, American Paper & Pulp Association; and Henry H. Otto, representing Hudson Coal Co., Scranton, Pa. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

Subcommittee on Flood Control met in executive session to consider emergency flood-control matters and ordered favorably reported to full committee H. R.

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3792, emergency flood-control bill. Later, full committee approved unanimously subcommittee report and ordered the bill favorably reported to the House.

Subcommittee on Public Buildings and Grounds held hearings on H. R. 1547, concerning land belonging to the Post Office Department in Norristown, Pa. No action was taken on this bill. Subcommittee ordered favorably reported to the full committee S. 980, to amend an act entitled "An Act to define area of the U. S. Capitol grounds and to regulate the use thereof," approved July 31, 1946; and S. 723, authorizing preparation of preliminary plans and estimates of cost for an additional office building for the use of the U. S. Senate.

RULES

Committee on Rules: Heard Chairman Wolcott and Representative Spence, ranking minority member of the Committee on Banking and Currency, in favor of a rule providing consideration of H. R. 3612, a bill to amend the Sugar Control Extension Act of 1947 so as to terminate the authority to allocate or ration refined sugar among users for home consumption. A resolution providing 1 hour of general debate was ordered reported.

Heard Chairman Rees of the Committee on Post Office and Civil Service and Representative Vursell in favor of a rule providing consideration of H. R. 966, a bill to amend section 14 of the Veterans' Preference Act of June 27, 1944. A resolution providing 1 hour of general debate was ordered reported.

Heard Chairman Rees and Representative Sadlak in favor of a resolution providing consideration of H. R. 2826, a bill to amend the Civil Service Retirement Act of May 29, 1930, as amended, to provide annuities for investigatory personnel of the Federal Bureau of Investigation who have rendered at least 20 years of service. No action was taken on this resolution.

VETERANS' AFFAIRS

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Met in executive session on pending legislation.

TAX REVISION—SOCIAL SECURITY

Committee on Ways and Means: Continued hearings on general tax revision and heard Fred R. Dreifus, representing Jewelry Industry Tax Committee, Memphis, Tenn.; Robert E. Albrecht, Fur Industry Tax Committee, New York; H. G. Kates, representing the Luggage and Leather Goods Manufacturers of America, New York, N. Y.; Ossip Walinsky, executive director, Pocketbook Workers Union, New York, N. Y.; A. Mittenenthal, director, National Authority Ladies' Handbags Industry, New York, N. Y.; and Robert E. Sommers, Deauville Bag Co., New York, N. Y., all of whom testified to the need for modification and reduction in excise taxes on their respective articles. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

Met in executive session on social security and approved report of the subcommittee and agreed to introduce a new bill which will establish the social security rates at 1 percent for 1948-49, 1½ percent for 1950 to 1956, and 2 percent from 1957 on. Committee also agreed to extend the temporary increase of \$5 per person from the Old Age Assistance to June 30, 1950.

REPORT ON JOINT COMMITTEE MEETINGS CAPITOL BUILDING

Joint Session of Committees on Capitol Buildings: House and Senate Committees on Capitol Buildings met in executive session to discuss the remodeling of House and Senate Chamber skylights, but made no announcement of action taken.

WOOL

Conferees on S. 814, to establish a wool price support program, reached agreement, on which a report will be filed tomorrow. The agreement includes the fol-

lowing: The Senate receded in all of the House amendments except one. On that amendment, to section 4, the House receded with an amendment providing that wool should be included as a commodity under section 22 of the Triple-A Act, and that no proclamation issued by the President with respect to wool under that act shall be enforced in contravention of any treaty or international agreement to which the United States is now a party.

RENT CONTROL

Conferees on H. R. 3203, to extend rent control, after an executive session, announced the following additional agreements: (1) accepted House provision for administration of rent control; (2) accepted Senate provisions setting the termination date at February 29, 1948; and (3) agreed to amendment allowing a 15 percent rent increase in accordance with agreement between tenant and owner, with technical amendments. Conferees are scheduled to meet again June 13. (For details of prior agreements, see Digest, p. D246.)

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HIGHLIGHTS

- Senate continued debate on carrier agreements; House passed second urgent deficiency appropriations bill for 1947, and filed conference report on the wool-support bill.
- Senate committees approved various bills on interstate commerce, revenue, tin smelting, and veterans.
- Senate banking committee rejected small business aid bill.
- Bills on agricultural marketing agreements, census of manufactures, and retirement ordered reported to House; subcommittee approved Army and Navy promotion bills.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 6851-6862.

Bills Introduced: Five bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1431-S. 1435; S. J. Res. 128; and S. Res. 125. Pages 6853-6854, 6855

Bills Reported: Bills and resolutions were reported as follows:

S. 1218, to continue after July 1 authority to receive voluntary enlistments in the Regular Army and to establish the periods of service (S. Rept. 262);

S. J. Res. 125, to strengthen the common defense and provide for the maintenance of a domestic tin-smelting industry (S. Rept. 263);

S. 1297, extending ODT to January 31, 1948 (S. Rept. 264);

S. J. Res. 122, consenting to an interstate oil compact to conserve oil and gas (S. Rept. 265);

S. J. Res. 124, to enable the President to utilize certain funds for UNRRA liquidation (S. Rept. 266);

S. 1056, to extend to persons of United States citizenship who served in armed forces of Allied Nations, benefits under the Servicemen's Readjustment Act of 1944 (S. Rept. 267);

S. 1392, to prescribe termination date of accrual rights of veterans for vocational rehabilitation, and for education, training, guarantee of loans, and readjustment allowances under the Servicemen's Readjustment Act (S. Rept. 268);

H. R. 2368, to increase from 1½ million to 3 million dollars the amount authorized as a revolving fund for loans to veterans for vocational rehabilitation courses (S. Rept. 269); and

Report from the Committee on Public Lands on contributions of local governments on account of nontaxable Federal lands (S. Rept. 270). Page 6853

Bill Referred: The following House-passed bill was referred to the committee indicated: H. R. 3756 (Committee on Appropriations). (For passage in House, see Digest, p. D255.) Page 6862

Carrier Agreements: Senate continued debate on S. 110, amending ICC Act relative to agreements between carriers. Pages 6862-6866

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CATTLE GRUBS

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: The following witnesses testified in support of S. 1249, to provide for control and eradication of cattle grubs: Senator Wherry; Dr. B. T. Sims, Bureau of Animal Industry; and Dr. P. N. Annand, Bureau of Entomology and Plant Quarantine, both of the Department of Agriculture; and L. B. Jackson, Tanners' Council of America, New York. Hearings continue tomorrow.

AGRICULTURE APPROPRIATION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on H. R. 3601, Agriculture Department appropriation bill, opened hearings with testimony from Secretary of Agriculture Anderson; Under Secretary N. E. Dodd; Charles F. Brannan, Assistant Secretary; W. A. Jump, Budget Officer; O. V. Wells, Chief, Bureau of Agricultural Economics; E. A. Meyer, Research and Marketing Act Administrator; Jesse Gilmer, PMA Administrator; S. R. Newell, Assistant Director, Livestock Branch, PMA; W. V. Lambert, Agricultural Research Administrator; and R. W. Trullinger, Assistant Administrator, Agricultural Research.

STATE, JUSTICE, COMMERCE APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on H. R. 3311, State, Justice, Commerce appropriations bill, continued hearings on State Department items with testimony from Selden Chapin, former director of the Foreign Service; Edmund A. Chester, CBS director of short-wave broadcasting; William F. Brooks, NBC vice president in charge of international division; and James Marshall, United States National Commission for UNESCO.

NAVY APPROPRIATION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on H. R. 3493, Navy Department appropriation bill, continued hearings with testimony from Rear Admiral A. G. Hopwood, director of budget and reports.

RFC—SMALL BUSINESS AID

Committee on Banking and Currency: By a vote of 7 to 2, in executive session, the committee refused to re-

port H. R. 2535, to amend the RFC to aid small business in purchase of surplus property.

TIN

Committee on Banking and Currency: S. J. Res. 125, to strengthen the common defense and provide for the maintenance of a domestic tin-smelting industry, was reported.

REVENUE BILLS AND TARIFF COMMISSION NOMINATION

Committee on Finance: In executive session, the following bills were approved: H. J. Res. 210, to extend time for release of powers of appointment free of estate and gift tax; H. R. 2872, to clarify provision of Public Debt Act relative to tax exemption on interest of obligations of the United States; and H. R. 468, to provide, in defining "dividends," for net operating loss credit in connection with distributions by personal holding companies.

Committee discussed and agreed to take action at a later date on H. R. 3602, to exempt from admissions tax general admission to agricultural fairs.

The nomination of John Price Gregg of Oregon, to reappointment as member of the U. S. Tariff Commission, was reported favorably to the Senate.

ST. LAWRENCE WATERWAY

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on S. J. Res. 111, St. Lawrence Waterway, continued hearings with opposition testimony from the following: Walter P. Heddin, Port of N. Y. Authority; C. H. Callaghan, Maritime Association of N. Y.; C. C. Fitchener, Buffalo, N. Y., Chamber of Commerce; Fred W. Burton, Rochester Chamber of Commerce; New Orleans Mayor De Lesseps S. Morrison; E. Leland Richardson, Baton Rouge, La.; Southworth Lancaster, Boston Port Authority traffic manager; Louis A. Schwartz, New Orleans Traffic and Transportation Bureau; E. O. Jewell, New Orleans Port Board of Commerce; J. W. Stannard, Traffic Bureau, Baton Rouge; J. H. Ross, N. Y. State Waterways Association; Harry Sec, Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen; Joseph P. Ryan, International Longshoremen's Association; Earl W. Brydges, Niagara Frontier Planning Association; Representative Larcade; and John T. Corbett, Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers. Proponents resume testimony tomorrow.

INTERSTATE COMMERCE ACTIONS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: In executive session took the following action: Appointed subcommittee of Senators Reed, Moore, and Stewart to consider nomination of Roy C. Wakefield, as FCC Commissioner; named Senators Reed and Johnson to redraft S. 265, prohibiting liquor advertising in interstate commerce and to make alternative suggestions; reported S. 1297, ODT extension bill, with an amendment extending the existence of the agency to January 31, 1948; approved S. 1421, authorizing the appointment of an addi-

tional Assistant Secretary of Commerce; approved S. 816, to amend the Communications Act in regard to Government message rates; and H. R. 1344, to admit the Croslin Ferry to American registry.

Routine nominations in the Coast and Geodetic Survey were approved. The committee meets tomorrow in executive session to consider S. 1422, extension of Government tanker program, and S. 293, S. 1276, and H. R. 3257, Air Policy Board bills.

SECOND WAR POWERS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee heard the following witnesses testify in support of decontrol and against an extension of Second War Powers in accordance with the President's message of May 23, 1947: J. S. McDaniel, Cordage Institute; Earle E. Bockstedt, Columbia Rope Co., Auburn, N. Y.; and R. H. Loudon, Cleveland.

ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee met on nomination of T. Vincent Quinn, to be Assistant Attorney General, and heard Louis Reitmeister, N. Y., present information; Adolph Reitmeister, N. Y., and Isaac Rothenberg, N. Y., oppose it; Mr. Quinn appeared in behalf of himself, and Gus Vanech, Assistant Attorney General, supported nomination.

VETERANS

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: The following bills were reported by the committee in executive session: without amendment, H. R. 2368, to increase from 1½ million to 3 million dollars the amount authorized as a revolving fund for loans to veterans for vocational rehabilitation courses; S. 1392, to prescribe termination date of accrual rights of veterans for vocational rehabilitation, and for education, training, guarantee of loans, and readjustment allowances under the Servicemen's Readjustment Act; and as reported by the subcommittee to the full committee, S. 1056, to adjust and extend to persons of United States citizenship who

served in armed forces of Allied Nations, benefits under the Servicemen's Readjustment Act of 1944.

ANTIDISCRIMINATION

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee heard the following witnesses testify in support of S. 984, to prohibit discrimination in employment because of race, religion, or color: Rev. William H. Jernagin, National Fraternal Council of Negro Churches, Washington; Joseph Kovner, American Civil Liberties Union, New York; Gilbert A. Harrison, American Veterans Committee, Washington; Roy Wilkins, National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, New York; Mike Masaoka, Anti-Discrimination Committee, Inc., Washington; and Dr. Stephen S. Wise, American Jewish Congress, New York. Hearings continue tomorrow.

PUBLIC LANDS

Committee on Public Lands: Public Lands Subcommittee met with officials of the Interior Department to consider various pending bills on its calendar.

NATURAL RESOURCES

Committee on Public Lands: National Resources Economic Subcommittee heard Thomas C. Blaisdell and H. B. McCoy, Department of Commerce, support a program of purchasing stock piles of strategic and critical raw materials from foreign sources. At the request of Senator Malone, the Department promised to provide facts upon which their conclusions, regarding the necessity of imports, were based, rather than depending on domestic supplies. Hearings continue tomorrow.

PURCHASE OF GOVERNMENT BUILDING

Committee on Public Works: Senator Kem and Representative Reeves testified before the committee in favor of S. 1231, to authorize Commissioner of Public Buildings to receive bids for purchase of Fidelity Building in Kansas City. Commissioner of Public Buildings W. E. Reynolds discussed the bill without opposing any of its provisions.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Thirteen public bills, H. R. 3807-3819; five private bills, H. R. 3820-3824; and three resolutions, H. Res. 244 and 245, and H. J. Res. 216, were introduced. Pages 6898, 6921-6922

Bills Reported: Bills and resolutions were reported, as follows:

H. R. 3792, authorizing appropriation of \$15,000,000 for emergency flood-control purposes (H. Rept. 563);

Eight private claims bills, as follows: S. 317 (H. Rept. 564), S. 470 (H. Rept. 565), S. 514 (H. Rept. 566), S. 561 (H. Rept. 567), S. 824 (H. Rept. 568), S. 882 (H. Rept. 569), H. R. 710 (H. Rept. 570), and H. R. 718 (H. Rept. 571);

H. Con. Res. 51, disapproval resolution of President's Reorganization Plan No. 3, relating to home ownership and Federal housing agencies (H. Rept. 580);

H. R. 2955, relating to sale, and determination of market value, of the Fidelity Building, Kansas City, Mo. (H. Rept. 581);

H. R. 3219, authorizing appointment of special policemen on property under jurisdiction of Federal Works Administrator (H. Rept. 582);

H. R. 3146, amending Flood Control Act of 1937, relating to future surveys of waterways, to be made by the Secretary of War, with a view to control of their floods (H. Rept. 583);

Conference report on S. 814, wool support bill (H. Rept. 584); and

H. R. 3769, to provide that membership in National Guard shall not disqualify a person from serving as part-time referee in bankruptcy (H. Rept. 585).

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The following resolutions were reported, considered, and agreed to:

H. Res. 94 (H. Rept. 572), providing funds, not to exceed \$25,000, for expenses of investigation into matters coming within the jurisdiction of the Committee on Public Lands. Page 6897

H. Res. 163 (H. Rept. 573), providing funds, not to exceed \$25,000, for expenses of investigation into the national transportation situation. Page 6897

H. Res. 228 (H. Rept. 574), providing funds, not to exceed \$15,000, for a full study of reorganization and home rule for the District of Columbia. Page 6897

H. Res. 177 (H. Rept. 575), providing funds, not to exceed \$25,000, to conduct studies relating to the Federal Civil Service and Post Office Department. Page 6897

H. Res. 185 (H. Rept. 576), providing funds, not to exceed \$10,000, authorized by Rules of the House relating to studies to be made in the State Department, in connection with the number of personnel and the efficiency of operation. Page 6897

S. J. Res. 69 (H. Rept. 577), printing revised edition of the annotated United States Constitution, as published in 1938, as S. Doc. 232, 74th Congress. Page 6897

H. Res. 233 (H. Rept. 578), granting 6 months' salary and \$250 toward funeral expense to widow of late House employee. Pages 6897-6898

H. Res. 245 (H. Rept. 579), to authorize printing of 12,000 copies of the conference report (H. Rept. 510), on H. R. 3020, Labor-Management Relations Act, 1947. Page 6898

Distilled Beverages: Passed H. R. 959, which would amend the Internal Revenue Code relative to drawback upon exportation of distilled spirits and wines. Pages 6888-6889

Flood Control: Passed H. R. 3792 (H. Rept. 563), authorizing appropriation of \$15,000,000 to be used for emergency flood-control purposes. Page 6889

Deficiency Appropriations: Agreed to H. Res. 223, rule making in order, and waiving all points of order

against, H. R. 3791, the second urgent deficiency appropriations bill for 1947.

As passed, this bill makes available \$70,856,257.87, for urgent deficiencies in 1947 appropriations. The House reduced by \$200,000 authority to the Department of Agriculture to spend funds in connection with the Sugar Control Extension Act, and added \$12,000,000 to the measure to provide for emergency funds to be spent by the War Department for flood control work.

This made the twelfth appropriation bill passed during this session. Pages 6898-6903

War Housing: Debated, but did not complete, H. R. 3492, a bill providing for disposition of certain war housing. Pages 6903-6920

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MARKETING AGREEMENTS

Committee on Agriculture: Met in executive session and ordered favorably reported to the House, H. R. 452, marketing agreements, as amended.

MILITARY

Committee on Armed Services: Posts and Stations Subcommittee met to continue discussion of H. R. 3314, Navy public works bill. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

Personnel Subcommittee met in executive session to continue discussion of H. R. 2536 and H. R. 2537, Army and Navy promotion bills. Subcommittee ordered both bills, as amended, reported to the full committee.

Retirement Subcommittee met in executive session to continue discussion of H. R. 2744, Army Vitalization and Retirement Equalization Act of 1946.

Pay and Administration Subcommittee held hearings on H. R. 3501, to amend Armed Forces Leave Act; H. R. 3278, to amend Mustering Out Payment Act of 1944; H. R. 1938, appropriations of amounts received from services of conscientious objectors to International Children's Fund of the UNO; and H. R. 491, to amend Armed Forces Leave Act, and heard Hugo Ranta of the Treasury Department, who testified in favor of H. R. 1938; Mrs. Betty Jacob and Morris Pate of the UNO, who also testified in favor of H. R. 1938; Col. Whalen of the War Department and Capt. Stickney of the Navy, who testified in favor of H. R. 3501; and Capt. Ira Nunn and Col. R. L. Lancefield (Navy and War Department representatives), who testified in favor of H. R. 3278. Subcommittee ordered favorably reported to the full committee H. R. 3501, H. R. 3278 (amended), and H. R. 1938 (amended).

CONSUMER CREDIT

Committee on Banking and Currency: Held hearings on consumer credit and heard Marriner C. Eccles, Chairman, Federal Reserve Board, who testified in favor of legislation giving authority to regulate consumer credit.

D. C. PUBLIC WELFARE

Committee on the District of Columbia: Subcommittee on Health, Education, and Recreation held hearings on H. R. 498 and H. R. 499, relating to public welfare, and heard Miss Frances Simsarian, D. C. Chapter, American Association of Social Workers; Mrs. Robert Wilson, League of Women Voters; Mrs. Ernest W. Howard, Federation of Citizens Associations; and Mrs. Harold Bannerman, Children's Protective Association.

NATIONAL SECURITY ACT OF 1947

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Continued hearings on H. R. 2319, National Security Act of 1947, and heard John P. Bracken, president, Reserve Officers of the Naval Service. Hearings will be continued next Tuesday.

FOREIGN AFFAIRS

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Met in executive session on H. R. 2675, Philippine Rehabilitation Act of 1946.

FOOD AND DRUGS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Food and Drug Subcommittee held hearings on H. R. 3128 and H. R. 3147, to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act, and heard Charles W. Crawford, Associate Commissioner, Food and Drug Administration, Washington, D. C.; Charles Wesley Dunn, New York, N. Y.; and Ernest W. Harrison, New York, N. Y.; all of whom favored the proposed legislation.

JUDICIAL

Committee on the Judiciary: Met in executive session and ordered favorably reported to the House, with amendments, the following bills: H. R. 1639, to provide the venue in actions brought in U. S. district courts or in State courts against interstate common carriers by railroad for damages for wrongful death or personal injuries; H. R. 1810, permitting part-time referees in bankruptcy to prosecute certain claims against the Government; H. R. 3769, providing that members of the National Guard of the United States and of the National Guard of a State may serve as part-time referee in bankruptcy; and H. R. 3555, to make eligible for naturalization racially ineligible parents whose sons died while serving in the armed services during World War II.

Subcommittee on Claims met in executive session on H. R. 669, to provide a method of paying subrogation claims arising out of insurance payments for damages sustained as a result of explosions at Port Chicago, Calif., on June 17, 1944.

June 11, agreed to report favorably to the full committee seven private claims bills, and to report four private claims bills adversely.

COAST GUARD

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Subcommittee on Coast Guard, Coast and Geodetic Survey, and

Public Health Service met in executive session and ordered favorably reported to the full committee H. R. 3494, relating to Coast Guard personnel.

Subcommittee on Ship Sales, Charters, and Lay-ups continued hearings on amendments to the Ship Sales Act of 1946 and heard Brig. Gen. Paul F. Yount and Col. Thomas S. Lowry of the War Department, and Max Ball of the Interior Department.

RETIREMENT—MAIL DELIVERY—CENSUS

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Met in executive session and ordered reported and placed on Consent Calendar H. R. 1995, to amend the Civil Service Retirement Act of May 29, 1930, as amended, to provide for the return of the amount of deductions from the compensation of any employee who is separated from the service or transferred to a position not within the purview of such act before completing 10 years of service, with amendment; H. R. 3638, to amend section 10 of the act establishing a National Archives of the U. S. Government; H. R. 3513, to transfer the Panama Railroad pension fund to the civil-service retirement and disability fund; H. R. 2588, concerning mails consigned between an airport and a post office within a 35-mile radius of a city in which there is a Government-owned motor vehicle service, as amended; and H. R. 1821, providing for censuses of manufactures, mineral industries, and other businesses every fifth year, as amended.

ALASKA HOMESTEAD—MODOC FOREST

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Public Lands met on H. R. 868 and H. R. 1548, settlement of Alaska by war veterans; and H. R. 3395, addition of certain lands to Modoc National Forest (Calif.). Representative Lemke discussed the committee print on H. R. 868 and H. R. 1548. Subcommittee ordered H. R. 3395 favorably reported to the full committee.

POLLUTION

Committee on Public Works: Continued hearings on H. R. 123, H. R. 315, and H. R. 470, pollution-control bills, and heard Lois Auerbacher, Jr., counsel, Pasanic Valley Sewerage Commission; Judge Guy C. Jackson, Jr., president, Texas Water Conservation Association; Milton P. Adams, executive secretary-engineer, Michigan Stream Control Commission; Maj. Gen. Philip B. Fleming, Administrator, Federal Works Agency; G. Douglas Andrews, chief engineer, Baltimore County Metropolitan District; Richard Martin, director, State Water Commission of Connecticut; Arthur D. Weston, chief sanitary engineer, Massachusetts Department of Health; Hudson Biery, chairman, Committee on Stream Sanitation, Cincinnati, Ohio; Joseph Weimann, director of maintenance, Bridgeport, Conn.; Hobart Wehking, County Commission, Hamilton County, Ohio; W. R. Kellogg, city manager, Cincinnati, Ohio; and Walton R. L. Taylor, Citizens Planning Association, Cincinnati, Ohio. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

UN-AMERICAN ACTIVITIES

Committee on Un-American Activities: The committee, by unanimous vote, approved the report on the Southern Conference for Human Welfare, as a Communist-front organization. The report will be issued for release in the Sunday morning papers.

Upon the recommendation of the Subcommittee on Fascism, there will be instituted an all-inclusive program of investigations and hearings on this subject. Also upon the recommendation of this subcommittee, the appointment of additional staff members to assist in this investigation will be made.

The full committee approved a schedule of hearings to be held June 23, 24, 25, and 26, at which time 10 witnesses will be heard on various phases of the committee's investigations.

VETERANS

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Subcommittee on Compensation and Pensions held hearings on various measures pertaining to statutory awards for tuberculosis and tropical diseases, and heard Representative Hedrick, sponsor of H. R. 1696; Representative Mills, sponsor of H. R. 2621; Representative Wilson, sponsor of H. R. 3418; Dr. Harry Most of New York City, medical expert on tropical diseases and consultant for the Veterans' Administration, testifying on H. R. 3650; Capt. James J. Sapero, Bureau of Medicine and Surgery, United States Navy, who testified on H. R. 3650; Henry T. Brooks, Assistant Director of Veterans' Claims, Veterans' Ad-

ministration, who testified on all bills under consideration; Dr. Roy A. Wolford, Assistant Chief, Tuberculosis Division, Veterans' Administration, who testified on tuberculosis bills; Charles W. Stevens, American Legion, Dr. H. D. Shapiro, American Legion, and Quintus Camp, DAV, all of who testified on all bills under consideration; and William M. Floyd, national commander, Regular Veterans' Association, who testified on H. R. 3650.

Subcommittee on Hospitals met in executive session to consider report on H. Con. Res. 26, Schick General Hospital, Clinton, Iowa.

TAX REVISION

Committee on Ways and Means: Continued hearings on general tax revision and heard J. J. Newman, vice president, B. F. Goodrich Co., representing the tire manufacturers; A. E. Barit, president, Hudson Motor Car Co., representing the Automobile Manufacturers Association; C. Willard Max, executive vice president, Standard Generator Service Co., Inc., St. Louis, Mo.; George J. Burger, National Federation of Small Business, Inc., and Burger Tire Consultant Service, representing independent tire dealers; Monte Appel, independent tire exporters, Washington, D. C.; Edward M. Greene, Jr., General Time Instruments Corporation, New York, N. Y.; and George F. Parton, chairman, tax committee, New York State Safe Deposit Association, New York, N. Y., all of whom recommended modification and reduction of excise taxes. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

Friday, June 13, 1947

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate agreed to vote on carrier agreements bill on June 18; House continued debate on the Federal information and educational exchange program.

Interior appropriation, air policy board, and D. C. bills approved by Senate committees.

Federal Employees Loyalty Act ordered reported to House.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 6923-6930.

Bills Introduced: Nine bills were introduced, as follows: S. 1436-S. 1444. Page 6925

Bills Reported: Bills were reported as follows:

Two private relief bills: H. R. 651, and H. R. 925 (S. Repts. 277 and 271, respectively);

S. 1421, to provide for the appointment of one additional Assistant Secretary of Commerce (S. Rept. 272);

H. R. 1344, to admit the *Crosline* ferry to American registry (S. Rept. 273);

H. R. 468, to provide, in defining "dividends," for net operating loss credit in connection with distributions by personal holding companies (S. Rept. 274);

H. R. 2872, to amend the Public Debt Act relative to tax exemption on interest from United States obligations (S. Rept. 275);

H. J. Res. 210, to extend time for release of powers of appointment free of estate and gift tax (S. Rept. 276);

H. R. 3123, Interior Department appropriations bill (S. Rept. 278);

S. 263, to provide for the carrying of mail on star routes (S. Rept. 279);

H. R. 3737, to provide D. C. revenue (S. Rept. 280);

S. 483, to relocate the boundaries of the Gila reclamation project (S. Rept. 281); and

S. 816, to amend the Communications Act with respect to Government rates (S. Rept. 282). *Page 6925*

Bills Referred: The following House-passed bills were referred to the committees indicated: H. R. 3791 (Committee on Appropriations); H. R. 959 (Committee on Finance); and H. R. 3792 (Committee on Public Works). (For passage in House, see Digest p. D261.) *Page 6925*

Carrier Agreements: Senate continued debate on S. 110, amending ICC Act relative to agreements between carriers, and by unanimous consent agreed to vote on the bill and all amendments or motions pertaining thereto at 4 p. m. June 18. *Pages 6930-6957*

Confirmations: George J. Schoeneman was confirmed as Commissioner of Internal Revenue; also sundry Army appointments. *Page 6959*

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CATTLE GRUBS

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: The following witnesses testified in support of S. 1249, to provide for control and eradication of cattle grubs: Judge Joe G. Montague, Texas & Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association, Ft. Worth; L. I. Frisbie, State Director of 4-H Clubs, Omaha; H. R. Smith, National Live Stock Loss Prevention Board, Chicago; Dr. W. T. Spencer, Live Stock Loss Prevention Committee, Omaha; and J. T. Sanders, National Grange, Washington. A statement was submitted by Senator Ecton. Committee meets on June 17 to study the permanent farm labor supply program (S. 1344).

INTERIOR APPROPRIATION

Committee on Appropriations: H. R. 3123, Interior Department appropriation bill, was reported proposing a total appropriation of \$215,530,353. This is an increase of \$54,116,840 over the House-passed figure of \$161,413,513. This compares with the total 1947 appropriation of \$258,552,086, and is under the estimates for 1948 by \$80,605,067.

The subcommittee, in considering the bill, had sessions on 23 days and took 3,200 pages of testimony.

STATE, JUSTICE, COMMERCE APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on H. R. 3311, State, Justice, Commerce appropriations bill, in executive session heard John E. Peurifoy, Special Assist-

ant to the Under Secretary of State, and other State Department officials, on information items.

NAVY APPROPRIATION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee continued executive session on H. R. 3493, Navy Department appropriation bill, and heard testimony from several Naval officers on maintenance and subsistence items.

AGRICULTURE APPROPRIATION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on H. R. 3601, Agriculture Department appropriation bill, continued hearings with testimony from the following officials of the various branches of the Department of Agriculture: From the Bureau of Animal Industry, B. T. Simms, S. O. Fladness, M. R. Clarkson, A. R. Miller, H. C. McPhee, N. A. Olmstead, W. V. Lambert, and Edmund Stephens; from the Bureau of Plant Industry, Soils, and Agricultural Engineering, R. M. Salter and V. H. Beach; from Dairy Industry, O. E. Reed, R. E. Hodgson, G. E. Holm, M. H. Fohrman, and J. M. Kemper; and from the Special Research Fund, H. W. Marston and P. N. Annand.

FDIC—CAPITAL STOCK

Committee on Banking and Currency: Senator Vandenberg spoke in support of certain provisions of S. 1070, to provide for the cancellation of the capital stock of FDIC, but suggested various amendments. FDIC Chairman Maple T. Harl also suggested amendments to the bill.

D. C. TAXES

Committee on the District of Columbia: Approved on June 12, H. R. 3737, D. C. tax bill, after adopting amendments requiring payment of income tax by Federal employees and raising the exemption for disabled veterans from \$2,000 to \$3,000.

Child nursery bill, S. 751, also was approved, carrying an authorization of \$150,000 and continuing the program until June 30, 1948.

JUDICIAL BILLS

Committee on the District of Columbia: Judicial Subcommittee held hearings on the following bills: H. R. 3515, athletic bribery bill; H. R. 3235, authorizing payments to attorneys and architects in condemnation proceedings; H. R. 494, reorganization of D. C. parole system; H. R. 495, changing the amounts in the D. C. Code on larceny and embezzlement; and S. 8, D. C. corporation bill. H. R. 3515, H. R. 3235, and H. R. 494 will be favorably reported to the full committee at its next meeting. H. R. 495 is slated for same action but after study of amendments.

INFORMATION FOR BUSINESS ASSISTANCE

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Department: In executive session committee considered S. 493,

Technical Information and Services Act, and appointed a subcommittee consisting of Senators McCarthy, Robertson (Va.), and O'Connor to study various suggested amendments to the bill and report their recommendations back to the full committee.

ST. LAWRENCE WATERWAY

Committee on Foreign Relations: The following testified favorably on S. J. Res. 111, St. Lawrence Waterway: Lt. Gen. R. A. Wheeler, Chief of Engineers; Sec. of Commerce W. Averell Harriman; Asst. Sec. of Interior W. E. Warne; N. R. Danielian, National St. Lawrence Association; and Russell Smith, Farmers' Educational and Cooperative Union.

AIR POLICY BOARD AND TRAVEL RESTRICTIONS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Approved S. 1433, to establish a temporary National Air Policy Board.

Subcommittee on S. Res. 111, to remove unnecessary travel restrictions, continued hearings with testimony from Asst. Sec. of War Howard C. Peterson; Edward H. Foley, Asst. Sec. of the Treasury; and Willard L. Thorp, Asst. Sec. of State for Economic Affairs.

The following bills also were approved by the full committee: S. 616, to authorize creation of a game refuge in S. C.; S. 682, to regulate transportation of black bass; and H. R. 2654, granting an easement to the City of Baltimore.

SECOND WAR POWERS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee heard John Gordon, American Institute of Fats and Oils, testify in support of decontrol and against an extension of the Second War Powers Act in accordance with the President's message of May 23, 1947.

SOLICITOR GENERAL

Committee on the Judiciary: Philip B. Perlman appeared before a subcommittee to testify in behalf of his nomination to be Solicitor General of the United States.

PRIVATE IMMIGRATION BILLS

Committee on the Judiciary: Senators Ball, Kilgore, Langer, Myers, and Pepper testified before a subcommittee on various private immigration bills (S. 107, 471, 492, 518, 558, 1083, and H. R. 1742).

ANTIDISCRIMINATION

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: The following witnesses testified before the subcommittee in support of S. 984, to prohibit discrimination in employment because of race, religion, or color: Ben Herzberg, American Jewish Committee, New York; Frank Goldman, president, B'nai B'rith, Washington; Catherine Marshall, Women's International League for Peace and Freedom, Washington; Julius A. Thomas, industrial relations, National Urban League, New York; Robert W. Searle, Protestant Council of New York; Mrs. H. Wolfe, National Committee on Education and Social Action, New York; and Rev. Sandy F. Ray, National Baptist Ministers Conference, Brooklyn.

NATURAL RESOURCES—LABOR

Committee on Public Lands: National Resources Economic Subcommittee heard Ewan Clague, Commissioner of Labor Statistics, and Witt Bowden, labor economist, both of the Department of Labor, discuss wage rates, labor costs per unit of output, and working conditions in various mining industries in the United States compared with similar mining industries in leading foreign countries competing with the United States. Committee continues June 17 on production and marketing of minerals.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Eighteen public bills, H. R. 3825-3842; seven private bills, H. R. 3843-3849; and one resolution, H. Res. 246, were introduced. *Pages 7000, 7003*

Bills Reported: Bills and resolutions were reported, as follows:

H. R. 72, increasing authorization for Coast Guard aviation stations (H. Rept. 586);

H. R. 3539, construction of a chapel at the Coast Guard Academy (H. Rept. 587);

H. R. 452, amending the provisions of the Agricultural Adjustment Act relating to marketing agreements and orders (H. Rept. 588);

H. R. 3839, Independent Offices appropriation bill for 1948 (H. Rept. 589);

H. Res. 246, rule, waiving points of order against, and granting 2 hours' general debate on, H. R. 2298, amending the Interstate Commerce Act (H. Rept. 590); and

Conference report on H. R. 3203, rent control bill (H. Rept. 591). *Pages 6999, 7002-7003*

Foreign Information Exchange: Resumed consideration of H. R. 3342, the Federal information and exchange program with foreign countries, reading the bill for amendment. Spent 6 hours in Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union, during which sundry committee amendments were adopted,

with the Committee reaching no resolution, thereby postponing the measure until next week.

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FARM LOANS

Committee on Agriculture: Held hearings on H. R. 3330, to make available to farmers through the Federal Land Bank System loans similar to those made by the Land Bank Commissioner on behalf of the Federal Farm Mortgage Corporation, and heard Ivy W. Duggan, Governor, Farm Credit Association.

Committee also entertained members of the 4-H Clubs throughout the country.

MILITARY

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Posts and Stations held hearings on H. R. 3314, to authorize the Secretary of the Navy to proceed with the construction of certain public works, and heard Rear Admiral J. S. Manning, USN, who testified in support of the bill; and Brig. Gen. J. S. Bragdon, USA, who testified in support of the housing provision of the bill.

Subcommittee on Procurement and Supply held hearings on H. R. 774, authorizing loan or gift of condemned or obsolete material of the Treasury Department to war-veteran associations, museums; and the matter of Procurement of Supplies for Navy Ship's Service Stores and Army PX's, and heard Arthur Condon, legal counsel for military and naval distributors, who testified in connection with supplies for Ship's Service Stores.

RECONSTRUCTION FINANCE CORPORATION

Committee on Banking and Currency: Met in executive session on continuation and extension of RFC. Will meet again on next Wednesday.

D. C. ACTIONS

Committee on the District of Columbia: Subcommittee on Health, Education, and Recreation met in executive session on various bills. H. R. 2937, providing that the laws of the District of Columbia relating to the insane may be applied to dangerous habitual sex offenders, was presented by Mr. MacKinnon, the author; action was deferred pending further data. H. R. 2626, authorizing killing of starlings in the District of Columbia, was tabled. H. R. 1969, limiting the hours of barbers in D. C., was tabled. H. R. 2173, regulating the business of undertaker or embalmer by license, was ordered reported to full committee, as amended. Announcement was made of open hearings on H. R. 3208, continuing the present nursery schools and permitting use of appropriations of the National Capital Housing Authority, on June 19.

AID TO EDUCATION

Committee on Education and Labor: Met on H. R. 3682, to extend the period for providing assistance to certain war-incurred school enrollments, and heard

George H. Field, Federal Works Agency; and Hon. Fritz G. Lanham, former Member of Congress. Hearing continues tomorrow with Mr. Lanham concluding his testimony.

WORLD HEALTH

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee on National and International Movements held hearings on H. J. Res. 161, providing for membership and participation by the United States in the World Health Organization and authorizing an appropriation therefor, and heard Surgeon General Thomas Parran, Public Health Service; and Representative Judd. Hearings will continue next Tuesday.

RAILROAD UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Met in executive session. The chairman reported to the committee on the CAB hearings held this week in New York City in connection with the air accident at LaGuardia Field on May 29.

The chairman was authorized to appoint a subcommittee to hold hearings on H. R. 3150, to amend the Railroad Unemployment Insurance Act.

JUDICIAL

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 2 met in executive session and discussed H. R. 3668 and H. R. 3690, to amend the Federal Tort Claims Act, and H. R. 2768, to create an Evacuation Claims Commission to adjudicate claims arising out of the evacuation of persons of Japanese ancestry from west coast military areas.

Subcommittee on Immigration and Naturalization continued hearings on H. R. 2910, to provide for admission into the United States of certain displaced persons from Germany, Austria, and Italy, and heard Retired Justice Owen J. Roberts; C. E. Babcock, representing Junior Order of United American Mechanics; William Green, American Federation of Labor; Charles Rozmarek, Polish-American Congress, Inc.; and Bishop Mulloy, Catholic Rural Life Conference, Covington, Ky.

LOYALTY

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Retirement Subcommittee met in executive session on H. R. 3232, civil-service retirement bill.

Later the full committee met in executive session on H. R. 3588, Federal Employees' Loyalty Act of 1947, following which announcement was made that a new bill would be introduced (H. R. 3813). The new bill embodies several changes made by the committee to give greater protection to accused employees, one of which is the establishment of an independent review board which recommends action to be taken by departments and agencies with respect to disloyal employees. The new bill (H. R. 3813) was ordered favorably reported to the House.

INDIANS

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Indian Affairs held hearings on H. R. 205, granting citizenship

to Metlakatla Indians, Alaska; and H. R. 190, to extinguish Indian title to lands in Alaska, and heard Warner W. Gardner, Assistant Secretary of Interior, who testified on H. R. 190. Subcommittee ordered H. R. 205 favorably reported to the full committee.

POLLUTION

Committee on Public Works: Held hearings on H. R. 123, H. R. 315, and H. R. 470, pollution-control legislation, and heard Kenneth A. Reid, executive director, Izaak Walton League of America; R. C. Beckett, State Sanitary Engineer, State Board of Health, Dover, Del.; Clarence E. Moulette, executive director, Camden City Plan Commission, Camden, N. J.; Murray Hanson, Investment Bankers Association; Representative Elston, sponsor of H. R. 470; Alfred LeFeber, consulting engineer, Cincinnati, Ohio; Russell E. Watson, Deputy Attorney General, State of New Jersey; and H. P. Croft, Chief of Bureau of Engineering and Sanitation, Department of Health, State of New Jersey. Hearings will continue on Monday.

RULES

Committee on Rules: Heard Chairman Wolverton and Representative Lea, ranking minority member of the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce, Representative Hale (Maine) and Representative Reed of Illinois in favor of a rule providing consideration of H. R. 2298, a bill to amend the Interstate Commerce Act with respect to modifying financial structure of railroads not in bankruptcy. A resolution providing for 2 hours of general debate was ordered reported.

VETERANS' AFFAIRS

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Met in executive session on various bills.

TAX REVISION

Committee on Ways and Means: June 12, held night session on general tax revision and heard Henry Price,

representing San Francisco Publishers Association, San Francisco, Calif.; William L. Mitchell, Acting Commissioner for Social Security, Washington, D. C.; Wilbur J. Cohen, Technical Adviser to the Commissioner, Social Security Administration, Washington, D. C.; Alanson W. Willcox, Assistant General Counsel, Federal Security Agency; William I. Denning, attorney, Washington, D. C., representing National Publishers Association; and Charles E. Arnn, representing Los Angeles News and Times and all western newspapers, Los Angeles, Calif.

June 13, continued hearings on general tax revision and heard T. F. Flanagan, chairman, Associated Tobacco Manufacturers, Washington, D. C.; Arch B. Taylor, vice president, Taylor Bros., Winston-Salem, N. C.; Hubert Mason, Scott Tobacco Co., Bowling Green, Ky.; E. J. Regensburg, president, Cigar Manufacturers of America, Washington, D. C.; William A. Mills, executive secretary, National Association of Music Merchants, Chicago, Ill.; and Herman L. Brooks, the Toilet Goods Association, Inc., New York, N. Y., who introduced Northam Warren, Stamford, Conn., for a brief statement. All witnesses testified to the need for modification and reduction of excise taxes. Hearings will continue next Tuesday.

REPORT ON JOINT COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Conferees on H. R. 2436, Treasury-Post Office appropriations bill, held first meeting but failed to reach agreement, and will meet again June 16.

RENT CONTROL

Conferees on H. R. 3203, to extend rent control, held final session and agreed to file the conference report in accordance with agreements already reached, making some technical amendments. (For details of report, see Digest, p. D258.)

Monday, June 16, 1947

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed Interior appropriation and 74 bills on call of the Calendar; House heard Presidential veto message on income-tax reduction bill; adopted conference report on wool-support bill; and passed 36 Consent Calendar measures.
Social-security tax bill ordered reported to House.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 7004-7007.

Bills Introduced: Eight bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 1445-S. 1452; and S. Res. 126.

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Bills Reported: Bills were reported as follows:

H. R. 577, to preserve historic graveyards in abandoned military posts (S. Rept. 283);

H. R. 2411, patenting of certain land in Clallam County, Wash., for hospital purposes (S. Rept. 284);

H. R. 2655, to grant easement to Baltimore for two subterranean water mains (S. Rept. 285);

H. R. 2654, authorizing the Secretary of the Treasury to grant an easement to the city of Baltimore (S. Rept. 286);

S. 616, creating a game refuge in South Carolina (S. Rept. 287); and

S. 682, regulation of interstate transportation of black bass (S. Rept. 288).

Pages 7005-7006

Bills Passed: Senate passed the following 74 bills and resolutions on the call of the Calendar:

Register of Land: S. 28, to reestablish registers of land offices;

Poisons: H. R. 1237, to regulate the marketing of economic poisons and devices;

Roads: H. R. 1874, to amend Federal-Aid Highway Act of 1944 to make funds available for 2-year periods;

Geographic Names: S. 1262, to provide a central authority for standardizing geographic names;

Materials: S. 1185, to authorize disposal of certain materials on public lands;

Nationality: H. R. 2237, to correct an error relating to naturalization court fees (P. L. 428, 78th);

Irrigation: S. 753, to defer collection of irrigation construction charges on Flathead Indian project;

Liability: S. 1265, amend the D. C. code relative to liability for causing death by wrongful act;

D. C. Code: S. 1266, to amend D. C. code relative to admissibility of testimony;

D. C. Police and Firemen: S. 924, to credit active service in the armed forces for D. C. police and firemen's relief fund;

Police: H. R. 1624, to authorize allowances to 3 D. C. police inspectors for use of privately owned cars;

Methodist Home: H. R. 3604, to make certain changes in incorporation certificate of D. C. Methodist Home;

Boilers: S. 1124, to amend the D. C. Boiler Inspection Act;

Surplus: S. 966, to create D. C. educational agency for surplus property;

Water: H. R. 310, to permit delivery of water from D. C. system to metropolitan area;

School Building: H. R. 2545, to provide funds for construction of school building in Moclips, Wash.;

Seniority: H. R. 1997, to provide seniority benefits for certain D. C. police officers;

Memorial: H. J. Res. 188, authorizing memorial in D. C. to 1st Infantry Division;

Memorial: S. J. Res. 113, authorizing memorial in D. C. to Marine Corps dead;

Memorial: S. J. Res. 112, granting a commission to formulate plans for erection of Marine memorial in Chicago;

Checks: S. 1316, to establish procedure on payment of certain Government checks;

School Building: S. 686, to provide for the construction of a public school building in Owyhee, Nev.;

Title: H. R. 1628, to give certain land rights to Illinois;

Water: H. R. 3197, relative to construction of Mancos irrigation project;

Irrigation: H. R. 3348, relative to construction of Coachella Division of All-American Canal irrigation project;

Water: H. R. 3151, to grant certain water and land rights to Las Vegas, Nev.;

Reclamation: H. R. 3143, to construct Paonia Federal reclamation project, Colo.;

Aqueduct: S. 1306, relating to the construction and disposition of the San Jacinto-San Vicente aqueduct;

Mining Claims: H. R. 2369, to suspend annual assessment work on mining claims in Alaska;

Court Space: S. 451, to use Capitol Park Hotel for Federal Courts in the District;

Enlistments: S. 1218, to continue after July 1 authority to receive voluntary enlistments in the Regular Army and to establish the periods of service;

Tin: S. J. Res. 125, to provide for the maintenance of a domestic tin-smelting industry;

Oil and Gas: S. J. Res. 122, consenting to an interstate compact to conserve oil and gas;

UNRRA: S. J. Res. 124, to use certain funds in the liquidation of UNRRA;

Veterans: H. R. 2368, to increase from 1½ million to 3 million dollars the amount authorized as a revolving fund for loans to veterans for vocational rehabilitation courses;

Veterans: S. 1392, to prescribe termination date of accrual rights of veterans for vocational rehabilitation, and for education, training, guarantee of loans, and readjustment allowances under the Servicemen's Readjustment Act;

Veterans: S. 1056, to extend to persons of United States citizenship who served in armed forces of Allied Nations benefits under the Servicemen's Readjustment Act of 1944;

Ferry: H. R. 1344, admitting the American-owned ferry *Crosline* to American registry;

Taxes: H. J. Res. 210, to extend the time for release of powers of appointment free of estate and gift taxes;

Debt: H. R. 2872, to amend the Public Debt Act of 1941 relative to tax exemption on interest from United States obligations;

Holding Companies: H. R. 468, amending the Internal Revenue Code in respect to distribution by personal holding companies;

Mails: S. 263, to provide for the carrying of mail on star routes;

Communications: S. 816, to amend the Communications Act with respect to Government rates;

Reclamation: S. 483, to relocate the boundaries of the Gila reclamation project;

Nurseries: S. 751, to continue D. C. day-care centers to June 30, 1948;

Lands: The following bills were passed granting land patents or conveying certain lands of a private character: H. R. 2353, 1412, 2207, 2852, S. 30, 394, 395, 396, 397, 398, 399, 403, and 484;

Claims: The following bills involving private claims were passed: H. R. 765, 888, 2257, 723, 1065, 620, 811, 360, 1482, 1221, 651, 925, S. 851, 358, 1360, and S. Res. 122;

The following 32 House-passed bills mentioned above were approved without amendment and thus cleared for Presidential action: H. R. 925, 651, 468, 2872, 310, 1344, 2368, 3143, 3151, 3348, 3197, 2852, 2207, 1482, 1221, 1237, 360, 1624, 3604, 620, 1065, 723, 2257, 888, 2237, 765, 2353, 1874, 1412, 2545, H. J. Res. 188 and 210.

Pages 7007-7024

Interior Appropriation: Senate passed as reported H. R. 3123, Interior Department appropriation bill, proposing a total appropriation of \$215,530,353. A conference was asked of the House and the following conferees appointed: Senators Wherry, Gurney, Ball, Cordon, Hayden, Thomas of Oklahoma, and O'Mahoney. (For further details on this appropriation, see Digest, p. D264.)

Pages 7024-7043

Postmaster Investigation: Senate debated S. Res. 81, authorizing the Senate Committee on Civil Service to make an investigation of postmasters. An amendment by Senator Hayden to terminate the authority of the committee January 15, 1948, was agreed to without objection. By unanimous consent it was agreed to vote at 3:30 p. m., June 17, on the resolution and all amendments and motions pertaining thereto.

Pages 7045-7059

Nominations: The following nominations were received: Ellis O. Briggs, to be Ambassador to Uruguay; Irving J. Higbee, to be United States attorney for the northern district of New York; Loomis E. Cranor, to be United States marshal for the western district of Kentucky; Francisco Corneiro, to be district attorney for the Virgin Islands District Court; together with 26 appointments in the Diplomatic and Foreign Service, 3 in the Public Health Service, and 17 in the Army.

Pages 7059-7060

Reports on Committee Meetings

AGRICULTURE APPROPRIATION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on H. R. 3601, Agriculture Department appropriation bill, continued hearings with testimony from the following: Assistant Chief, Bureau of Entomology and Plant Quarantine S. A. Rohwer; W. V. Lambert, Agricultural Research Administrator; Lyle F. Watts, Earl W. Lovelidge, C. N. Granger, E. I. Kotok, Howard Hopkins, A. R. Spillers, George W. Trayer, and Henry Wold, all of

the Forest Service; H. H. Bennett, J. C. Dykes, C. H. Dorny, and M. L. Nichols, all of the Soil Conservation Service.

NAVY APPROPRIATION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on H. R. 3493, Navy Department appropriation bill, continued executive hearings with testimony from General A. A. Vandergrift, Commandant of the Marine Corps, and officials of the Bureau of Yards and Docks.

STATE, JUSTICE, COMMERCE APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee concluded hearings on H. R. 3311, State, Justice, Commerce appropriations bill, with testimony from officials of the State Department.

HOUSING AND SLUM CLEARANCE

Committee on Banking and Currency: Committee held hearings on S. 1361, to permit capital grants for low-rent housing and slum clearance projects where construction costs exceed present cost limitations, under certain conditions, with Representative John C. Brophy, Richard W. E. Perrin, and John A. Decker, Housing Authority of Milwaukee, testifying in support of the legislation; Edward Ferguson, FPHA, answered questions for the information of the committee. A letter from the National Housing Agency, suggesting various amendments, was read into the record.

VETERANS' PREFERENCE

Committee on Civil Service: Committee met to consider bills on veterans' preference and heard John Cooperstock and Rinehart Entress, Veterans' Association of Federal Employees, N. Y. Naval Shipyard, discuss the practices of the Navy Department with respect to separation and demotion of veterans. Admirals Paul Nibecker and F. E. Haeberle were present for rebuttal testimony. Civil Service Commissioner Arthur S. Flemming discussed what he regarded as weaknesses of the Veterans' Preference Act of 1944. George L. MacElroy, Veterans of Foreign Wars, and William A. Christianson, Disabled American Veterans, spoke in favor of revision of the Act.

The committee instructed its staff to compose an inclusive bill on veterans' preference, and adjourned until tomorrow.

SOLICITOR GENERAL

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee heard testimony in support of the nomination of Philip B. Perlman, to be United States Solicitor General, from Claude M. Gray, Baltimore Transit Co.; J. Stanislaus Cook, attorney; Mayor T. R. McKeldin; and Mr. Perlman in his own behalf.

The subcommittee also met on Saturday, June 14, and heard the nominee.

SECOND WAR POWERS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee heard J. C. White, Department of Commerce; John Erickson, RFC; and C. R. Cortney and M. D. Hellis, Public Health Service, testify in support of continuing Second War Powers in accordance with the President's message of May 23, 1947.

Representatives of the Paris Medicine Co. and R. W. Areff & Co. appeared in opposition and for decontrol.

REORGANIZATION PLAN—USES AND WAGE-HOUR

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Committee heard testimony in support of the Reorganization Plan No. 2, relative to USES and Wage-Hour, from Bureau of the Budget Director James E. Webb, Secretary of Labor Lewis B. Schwellenbach, FSA Administrator Watson B. Miller, and USES Administrator Robert C. Goodwin. Hearings continue tomorrow.

PUBLIC LANDS BILLS

Committee on Public Lands: In executive session the committee approved the following four bills: with amendments, S. 1315, authorizing agreements with respect to rights of helium-bearing gas lands in Navajo Indian Reservation, N. Mex.; and without amendment: H. R. 2655, to grant easement to Baltimore for two subterranean water mains; H. R. 577, to preserve historic graveyards in abandoned military posts; and H. R. 2411, patenting of certain land in Clallam County, Wash., for hospital purposes. Reports were filed on the latter three.

STREAM POLLUTION

Committee on Public Works: Committee met in executive session on S. 418, to provide for control of stream pollution, but took no action. Committee meets tomorrow on calendar business.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Seventeen public bills, H. R. 3850-3866; three private bills, H. R. 3867-3869; and four resolutions, H. Res. 247-249, and H. J. Res. 217 were introduced. Pages 7100, 7115-7116

Bills Reported: A bill, a report, and a resolution were reported, as follows:

Pamphlet entitled "Report on Southern Conference for Human Welfare" from Committee on Un-American Activities (H. Rept. 592);

H. Res. 248, rule waiving all points of order against H. R. 3839, independent offices appropriations bill for 1948 (H. Rept. 593);

H. R. 3818, amending the Federal Insurance Contributions Act with respect to rates of tax on employers and employees (H. Rept. 594). Page 7115

Tax Bill Veto Message: Heard a message from the President accompanying H. R. 1, personal income-tax reduction bill for 1948, which was returned to the House without his approval. A vote on the Presidential action was postponed until Tuesday, June 17. Pages 7073-7074

Consent Calendar: Passed the following bills on the Consent Calendar:

Custody of Prisoners: S. 26, making criminally liable prisoner custodians where escapes are the result of their negligence.

Judiciary Personnel: H. R. 2746, as amended, providing secretaries for circuit and district judges.

Toll Bridge: H. R. 1610, amending act of June 1938, so as to authorize Cairo Bridge Commission to issue refunding bonds to refund all outstanding bonds issued to pay costs of toll bridge near Cairo, Ill.

Puerto Rico: H. R. 3309, as amended, amending the Organic Act of Puerto Rico, so as to allow qualified voters of Puerto Rico to elect, and outline authority of, their own Governor.

Land Easement: H. R. 3252, authorizing Secretary of the Navy to convey to city of Long Beach, Calif., land easements within the Long Beach Navy housing project for street purposes.

Land Easement: H. R. 3053, authorizing Secretary of the Navy to convey to the district of Ewa, Territory of Hawaii, land easement for public-utility and highway purposes.

Land Easement: H. R. 3056, authorizing Secretary of the Navy to convey to city of Macon and Bibb County, Ga., land easement within Bibb County for public-utility and road purposes.

Naval Officers: H. R. 3251, as amended, authorizing naval retirement boards to consider cases of certain officers.

Admission to Country: H. R. 3149, as amended, permitting racially inadmissible spouses of citizen-members of the United States armed forces, if otherwise admissible, to enter United States under Public Law 271 (79th Cong.).

Admission to Country: H. R. 3398, extending validity period of the act to facilitate the admission into this

country of alien fiancées or fiancés of members of the United States armed forces.

House Office Building: H. R. 3072, as amended, authorizing preparation of preliminary plans and estimates for erection of addition to, and remodeling fifth floor of, the Old House Office Building.

Deceased Aviation Officers: H. R. 2314, as amended, amending the acts pertaining to lump-sum payments to survivors of deceased aviation officers.

Senate Reporters: S. 125, amending the Civil Service Retirement Act of 1930, to extend benefits of such act to Official Reporters of Debates in the Senate and their employees.

Census Office: S. 614 (in lieu of H. R. 1045), amending the act providing for a permanent Census Office by permitting the disclosure of certain religious information in census takings.

Federal Employees: H. R. 3511, extending provisions of the Civil Service Retirement Act of 1930 relating to benefits of eligible annuitants who have been separated from the Federal service.

Military Leave: H. R. 1845, as amended, amending section 371, title 10, United States Code, relating to military leave for Federal employees.

Wine Production: H. R. 1945, amending the Internal Revenue Code relating to regulatory provisions governing national wine production.

Beverage Brandies: H. R. 1946, amending the Internal Revenue Code relating to provisions governing the blending of beverage brandies.

Tax liabilities: H. R. 1947, amending the Internal Revenue Code relating to liability of stockholders for taxes on distilled spirits assessed against certain registered distilleries.

Red Cross: H. J. Res. 193, as amended, granting authority for erection of a permanent building in the District of Columbia, for the D. C. Chapter of the American National Red Cross.

Naval Personnel: H. R. 1380, as amended, amending laws relating to payment of 6 months' death gratuity to dependents of naval personnel.

Auditing Accounts: H. R. 3138, providing for periodic audit of records of accountable officers of the House of Representatives and the Senate.

Forest Protection: S. 597 (in lieu of H. R. 1974), providing for protection of forests against destructive insects and diseases.

Water Conservation: H. R. 2167, as amended, authorizing inclusion within the Angostura water conservation project of certain federally owned lands.

Wildlife Conservation: H. R. 2721, promoting conservation of fish and wildlife resources of Upper Mississippi River.

Utilities' Services: H. R. 3055, as amended, permitting the Secretaries of War and Navy to supply utilities, not otherwise obtainable, to persons in immediate vicinity of naval or military activities.

Military Burials: H. R. 3394, amending the act providing for evacuation and return of the remains of certain military personnel who died and were buried overseas, and matters relating to establishment of oversea military cemeteries.

Vessel Transfer: H. R. 3333, as amended, transferring the vessel *Joseph Conrad* from St. Petersburg, Fla., to Mystic, Conn., for museum purposes.

Navigation Regulations: H. R. 2293, amending the act to regulate navigation on the Great Lakes and tributaries, to insure greater safety for vessels and their crews, relating to range lights.

Maine Waterway: H. R. 599, declaring Kenduskeag Stream, Maine, to be a nonnavigable waterway.

Remount Service: H. R. 3484, as amended, transferring the Remount Service from the War Department to the Department of Agriculture.

California Indians: H. R. 2878, as amended, amending act of May 1928 (45 Stat. 602), to revise census roll of California Indians provided for therein.

Navajo Indians: H. R. 3372, as amended, authorizing certain agreements with respect to rights in helium-bearing lands in Navajo Indian Reservation, N. Mex.

Home Loans: S. 1230, as amended, amending National Housing Act relating to time extension of authority of FHA to insure home renovation and modernization loans secured under the act.

Army Enlistments: H. R. 3303, as amended, stimulating voluntary enlistments in the Regular Army.

Bankruptcy Referee: H. R. 3769, as amended, permitting National Guard members to serve as part-time referees in bankruptcy. Pages 7074-7095

Suspension of Rules: Under the suspension of rules, and by a two-thirds vote, the following bills were considered and passed:

Filipino Benefits: H. R. 3191, extending the benefits of the Missing Persons Act to certain Filipinos.

Cadets and Midshipmen: S. 321, amending the Pay Readjustment Act of 1942, so as to increase the pay of cadets and midshipmen at the service academies. This bill passed by a roll-call vote of 304 yeas to 53 nays. Pages 7095-7100

Wool Support Bill: Adopted, by voice vote, the conference report on the wool price-support bill, after rejecting a motion to recommit to the conferees by roll-call vote of 191 yeas to 166 yeas. Pages 7100-7113

Order of Business: Agreed to dispense with Calendar Wednesday business of Wednesday, June 18. Page 7113

Reports on Committee Meetings

FARM LABOR—TIMBER

Committee on Agriculture: Met on H. R. 3367, providing a program for the collection and dissemination of information with respect to the supply and demand for

agricultural workers, and heard Representative Holmes; William H. Tolbert, Portland, Oreg., representing National Farm Labor Conference; Charles F. Seabrook, president, Seabrook Farms, Bridgeton, N. J.; and Dixon Pearce, Perrine, Fla.; all of whom testified favorably. Hearing continues tomorrow.

On June 14, the committee met on H. J. Res. 205, to authorize the sale of timber within the Tongass National Forest, and heard the testimony of James E. Curry, representative of the Alaskan natives.

MILITARY

Committee on Armed Services: Legal Subcommittee met on H. R. 3051, amending the Vinson-Trammel Act (repeals the profit limitation and certain other limiting provisions), relating to the construction of vessels and aircraft, and agreed to report the bill favorably to the full committee on June 17.

Pay and Administration Subcommittee met in executive session on H. R. 3174 and H. R. 3254, increasing pay for doctors of the Army and Naval Medical Departments, and agreed to report both bills favorably to the full committee on June 17.

D. C. RENT CONTROL

Committee on the District of Columbia: Judiciary Subcommittee on Rent met on general and commercial rent control bills and heard Commissioner Guy Mason; Vernon E. West, Corporation Counsel, D. C.; Robert F. Cogswell, District Rent Administrator; John A. Riley, president, Washington Board of Trade; Maj. Gen. U. S. Grant, 3d, Chairman, National Capital Park and Planning Commission; and Dr. Ralph Bonnett; all of whom testified on H. R. 3131, extending D. C. Rent Control Act. The subcommittee also heard testimony from John A. Riley, Washington Board of Trade; George E. Sullivan, attorney at law; E. Hilton Jackson, attorney at law; W. Gwynn Gardiner, attorney at law; David Babp, Federation of Citizens Associations; and Thomas Butt, representing Lewis E. Smoot, Realtors; all of whom testified on H. R. 1883, regulation of commercial rents. Hearing continues on June 18.

AID TO EDUCATION

Committee on Education and Labor: On June 14 the committee met in executive session on H. R. 3682, to extend the period for providing assistance to certain war-incurred school enrollments. Meeting continues on June 18.

AIR ACCIDENTS—INTERSTATE COMMERCE

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Met in executive session and discussed recent airplane accidents.

Food and Drug Subcommittee met in executive session on H. R. 2717, H. R. 3128, and H. R. 3147, bills amending the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act.

JUDICIAL

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Patents, Trade-marks, and Copyrights met on H. R. 1269, H. R. 1270, and H. R. 2570, bills amending the copyright law with respect to coin-operated entertainment machines, and heard W. D. Nance and Hammond Chaffetz, representing Automatic Phonograph Manufacturers' Association; and D. C. Rockola, president, Rockola Manufacturing Corp., Chicago.

Subcommittee No. 4 met in executive session on H. J. Res. 56, terminating all emergency powers of the President except those which affect the armed services. The subcommittee on June 14 also met in executive session on H. J. Res. 56.

VETERANS' PREFERENCE

Committee on the Post Office and Civil Service: Vursell Subcommittee met in executive session on veterans' preference bills and agreed to report favorably to the full committee H. R. 1426, extending veterans' preference in Government service to widowed mothers of veterans; and H. R. 3520, to amend the Veterans' Preference Act of 1944 by removing therefrom certain inequities.

INDIANS

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Indian Affairs met on various pending bills and heard Ralph H. Case, attorney for Quinaielt Indian Tribe; John H. Province, Assistant Commissioner, Office of Indian Affairs; and Representative Murray of Wisconsin; all of whom testified in favor of H. R. 2484, authorizing payment to jobbers in connection with logging of timber for the Menominee Indians on the Menominee Reservation in 1934-35.

The subcommittee later agreed to favorably report to the full committee H. R. 2996, authorizing appropriation for public school at Owyhee, Nev. Hearing continues tomorrow.

POLLUTION

Committee on Public Works: Met on H. R. 123, H. R. 315, and H. R. 470, pollution-control bills, and heard Andrew B. Crichton, president, Johnstown (Pa.) Coal & Coke Co.; Dr. Harry J. Rose, National Coal Association; Representative Elston; Edwin R. Cotton, Interstate Commission on the Potomac Basin; A. W. Dickinson, American Mining Congress; Dr. W. L. Slifer, Bituminous Coal Institute; and Harry Gandy, Jr., National Coal Association. This concluded the hearings on stream-pollution bills.

RULES

Committee on Rules: Heard Chairman Taber, Representatives Wigglesworth, Phillips of California, and Andrews of Alabama in favor of a rule waiving points of order against H. R. 3839, the independent offices appropriations bill. The resolution was ordered favorably reported.

SOCIAL SECURITY

Committee on Ways and Means: Met in executive session to discuss miscellaneous legislation and ordered H. R. 3818, social security tax, reported to the House. This bill establishes the social security tax rates at 1 percent for 1948-49, 1½ percent for 1950 to 1956, and 2 percent from 1957 on. The bill also continues old-age assistance and aid to the blind and to dependent children until June 30, 1950. Committee continues tomorrow on tax revision hearings.

REPORT ON JOINT COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Conferees on H. R. 2436, Treasury-Post Office appropriations bill, held third session but failed to reach agreement. Another meeting is scheduled tomorrow.

BILLS SIGNED BY THE PRESIDENT

(New Laws)

(For last listing of Public Laws, see p. D249)

S. J. Res. 115, to authorize the Veterans' Administrator to continue offices in the Philippines. Signed June 14, 1947 (P. L. 91);

S. 566, amending section 3539 of the Revised Statutes in respect to deviations in standards and weights of silver coins. Signed June 14, 1947 (P. L. 92);

S. 1073, to extend until June 30, 1949, the period during which persons may serve in certain executive departments without being prohibited from prosecuting claims against the U. S. Signed June 14, 1947 (P. L. 93); and

S. 1135, to extend provisions of Servicemen's Readjustment Act, relating to leases. Signed June 14, 1947 (P. L. 94).

Tuesday, June 17, 1947

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate by a vote of 44 to 35 approved postmaster investigation. House sustained President's veto on income-tax reduction bill, by a vote of 268 to override against 137 to sustain; and adopted conference report on rent-control bill.

Senate groups approved emergency flood-control and rural mail carriers bills, and worked on RFC extension.

Bill to extend interstate compact to conserve oil and gas, and naval-vessel conversion bill ordered favorably reported by House committees.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 7117-7120

Bills Introduced: Twelve bills and three resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1453-S. 1464; S. J. Res. 129; S. Res. 127 and 128. Pages 7118, 7119

Bills Reported: Bills were reported, as follows:

S. 1315, authorizing agreements with respect to rights of helium-bearing gas lands in Navajo Indian Reservation, N. Mex. (S. Rept. 289);

H. R. 3792, to provide 15 million dollars for emergency flood-control work made necessary by recent floods (S. Rept. 290); and

S. 1231, authorizing public building commissioner to receive bids for purchase of Fidelity Building in Kansas City (S. Rept. 291). Page 7117

Bills Referred: The following House-passed bills were referred to the committees indicated: H. R. 599, 1610, 2293, 2721, and 3333 (Committee on Interstate XCHH-DD—18

and Foreign Commerce); H. R. 1380, 2314, 3053, 3055, 3056, 3191, 3251, 3253, and 3394 (Committee on Armed Services); H. R. 1945, 1946, and 1947 (Committee on Finance); H. R. 2167, 2878, and 3309 (Committee on Public Lands); H. R. 2746, 3149, 3398, and 3769 (Committee on the Judiciary); H. R. 3072 (Committee on Public Works); H. R. 3138 (Committee on Rules and Administration); and H. R. 3372 (Calendar). (For passage in House, see Digest pp. D270 and D271.) Page 7120

Postmaster Investigation: Senate by 44 yeas to 35 nays adopted S. Res. 81, authorizing an investigation of postmasters by the Committee on Civil Service. Pages 7120-7140

Nominations: The following nominations were received: James Bruce, to be Ambassador to Argentina, and John M. Moore, to be United States marshal for the eastern district of Kentucky, together with 54 appointments in the Navy. Pages 7141-7142

Reports on Committee Meetings

LABOR PROGRAM

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: The following witnesses testified in support of S. 1334, to provide a permanent farm-labor supply program: W. H. Tolbert, National Farm Labor Conference, Portland; Charles F. Seabrook, Seabrook Farm, Bridgeton, N. J.; Dixon Pearce, Florida Vegetable Committee, Miami; Edward J. Overby, and M. C. Wilson, Department of Agriculture. Hearings continue tomorrow.

AGRICULTURE APPROPRIATION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on H. R. 3601, Agriculture Department appropriation bill, continued hearings with testimony from officials of the Forest Service. Hearings continue tomorrow.

NAVY APPROPRIATION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee in executive session concluded hearings on H. R. 3493, Navy Department appropriation bill, with testimony from Representative Weichel; a representative of the International Association of Machinists; Minor Hudson, Naval Officers' Reserve; and Arthur D. Condon, attorney.

RFC EXTENSION

Committee on Banking and Currency: In executive session, committee considered proposed extension of RFC and agreed to meet again on Friday, June 20, to go over a resolution for 1 year extension of RFC.

Committee agreed to appoint a special staff to investigate the operations of the RFC and to request \$50,000 for this purpose.

Committee meets tomorrow on Reorganization Plan No. 3, relative to housing.

RURAL CARRIERS AND VETERANS' PREFERENCE

Committee on Civil Service: In executive session, committee approved, with amendment, S. 203, to provide that rural mail delivery carriers shall be paid 1 cent per mile per day, for period of 3 years.

Veterans' preference bills were also considered, but no announcement was made of action taken.

Full committee meets June 19.

SURPLUS WAR MATERIALS

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Subcommittee on Surplus Property heard Assist. Sec. of Navy Kenney; Admiral Carney, Deputy Chief of Naval Ordnance; Admiral Manning, Chief of the Bureau of Yards and Docks; and Julian Stein, OWMR, discuss the disposition of materials held at Pt. Hueneme, Calif.

HEALTH ORGANIZATION

Committee on Foreign Relations: In executive session heard testimony from Acting Legislative Counsel, State

Department, D. V. Sandifer, and Surgeon General Thomas Parran on S. J. Res. 98, to provide United States membership in the World Health Organization.

Hearings on S. J. Res. 111, St. Lawrence Waterway, resume June 20 before a subcommittee, when additional opposition testimony will be received.

FCC AMENDMENTS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee on S. 1333, FCC Act amendments, opened hearings with testimony from Charles Denny, FCC Chairman, and Frank Robertson, FCC Bar Assn. Hearings continue tomorrow.

SOLICITOR GENERAL

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee heard testimony in support of the nomination of Philip B. Perlman, to be United States Solicitor General, from Claude Gray, Baltimore Transit Co.; Francis R. Cross; and R. M. Smith, B. & O.

SECOND WAR POWERS—EXPORT CONTROL

Committee on the Judiciary: Senators Martin and Cain testified before a subcommittee in support of continuing export controls as applied to steel. Dr. D. A. Fitzgerald, Secretary General of the International Emergency Food Council, testified in support of extending title III of the Second War Powers, relative to allocations and priorities, with particular reference to food. Under Secretary of Agriculture N. E. Dodd favored extension of title III as applied to cordage and fats and oil.

PUERTO RICAN JUDGE

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee met on nomination of Dennis Chavez, Jr., to be Puerto Rican judge, with Senators Chavez and Hatch appearing in support of the nomination and Samuel Herrick, Washington attorney, against it on basis of Chavez not being a resident of Puerto Rico.

REORGANIZATION—USES AND WAGE-HOUR

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee heard William R. McComb, director of Wage and Hour, testify in support of Reorganization Plan No. 2, relative to USES and Wage-Hour, and the following testify against it: Stanley Rector, Interstate Conference of Employment Security Agencies, Madison; Milton Loysen, Division of Placement and Unemployment Insurance, N. Y.; W. O. Bake, Dept. of Employment Security, Nashville; B. L. Flanagan, Dept. of Employment Security Industrial Commission, Salt Lake City; Ralph Davis, Employment Security Agency, Tallahassee; Noble R. Shaw, Employment Security Division, Indianapolis; and H. F. Garrett, Unemployment Compensation Division, Idaho. Subcommittee meets in executive session tomorrow.

FLOOD CONTROL AND PUBLIC BUILDING

Committee on Public Works: The two following bills were reported: Without amendment, H. R. 3792, to authorize 15 million dollars for emergency flood-control work made necessary by recent floods; and with amendment, S. 1231, authorizing Public Building Commissioner to receive bids for purchase of Fidelity Building in Kansas City.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Ten public bills, H. R. 3870-3879; three private bills, H. R. 3880-3882; and two resolutions, H. J. Res. 218 and H. Con. Res. 53, were introduced.

Pages 7166, 7183-7184

Bills Reported: Bills were reported, as follows:

H. R. 3555, amending Nationality Act of 1940, relating to naturalization of racially ineligible parents whose sons died while serving with the United States armed forces in World War II (H. Rept. 595); and

H. R. 3736, amending sections 7 and 11 of the Clayton Act, to prevent creation of monopolies, or the lessening of competition in interstate commerce whereby a corporation acquires the assets of its competitors (H. Rept. 596).

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Tax Bill Veto: Lacked the necessary two-thirds vote to override the Presidential veto of H. R. 1, the personal income-tax reduction bill for 1948, and the bill was re-committed to the Committee on Ways and Means. The roll-call vote, as recapitulated, was 268 to override, against 137 to sustain.

Pages 7143-7148

Private Calendar: Considered private claims bills on the Private Calendar and took the following action:

Passed without amendment: H. R. 1162, S. 361, S. 423, S. 425, S. 620, H. R. 431, H. R. 988, H. R. 1737, H. R. 2607, H. R. 1493, S. 50, H. R. 649, S. 317, S. 470, S. 514, S. 561, S. 824, and S. 882.

Passed, amended: H. R. 1652, H. R. 1508, S. 254, H. R. 645, H. R. 1800, H. R. 2056, H. R. 2306, H. R. 2399, H. R. 2434, H. R. 553, H. R. 1486, H. R. 2151, H. R. 379, and H. R. 710.

Passed over without prejudice: H. R. 1148, H. R. 1930, H. R. 718.

Objected to, and recommitted: S. 664.

Pages 7148-7153

Rent Control: Conference report (H. Rept. 591), on H. R. 3203, housing and rent control bill for 1947, was adopted by a vote of 163 yeas to 73 nays and sent to the Senate. Adoption of the bill was called for, after a

FOREIGN CURRENCY TRANSACTIONS

Combined meeting of *Committees on Appropriations, Armed Services, and Banking and Currency:* Heard Howard C. Peterson, Assistant Secretary of War, testify on military occupation currency before a combined meeting of the three committees, with particular reference to experience in Europe and the use of American plates by Soviet authorities.

motion to recommit to conference was rejected by a vote of 87 yeas to 114 nays.

Also approved H. Con. Res. 53, authorizing the Clerk of the House of Representatives to correct certain dates in section 4 (a) of the rent-control measure.

Pages 7153-7166

Independent Offices Appropriations: Adopted H. Res. 248, rule waiving points of order against the bill, H. R. 3839, the Independent Offices appropriations bill for 1948.

As reported from the Committee on Appropriations (H. Rept. 589), the measure recommends \$8,167,869,027 to be appropriated for 1948, a reduction of \$330,540,732 from the Budget estimates.

Concluded all general debate and read the first paragraph of the bill, when the Committee rose and reported back to the House its failure to reach any resolution thereon.

Pages 7166-7182

Reports on Committee Meetings

FARM LABOR

Committee on Agriculture: Met on H. R. 3367, providing a program for the collection and dissemination of information with respect to the supply and demand for agricultural workers, and heard Maurice B. Gardner, Shade Tobacco Growers Agricultural Association, and Representative Rogers of Florida, both of whom testified favorably. Sarah K. Hepburn, representing Michigan Migrant Committee, Consumers League of Michigan, Michigan Federation of Teachers, Michigan Department of Education, spoke in opposition to the bill; Dr. Howard A. Dawson, Director of Rural Service, National Education Association, also testified. Hearing continues tomorrow.

SHIPS AND AIRCRAFT

Committee on Armed Services: Met to receive reports from subcommittees after which the committee ordered the following bills favorably reported to the House:

H. R. 3051, amending the Vinson-Trammell Act (repeals the profit limitation and certain other limiting pro-

visions), relating to the construction of vessels and aircraft.

H. R. 3315, conversion of vessels.

The committee also had under consideration H. R. 3830, Army-Navy promotion bill, but deferred action until June 20.

D. C. FIRE DEPARTMENT

Committee on the District of Columbia: Subcommittee on Public Service—Streets and Traffic, met on H. R. 3433, classification of officers and members of the Fire Department of the District of Columbia (2-platoon system), and heard Commissioner John Russell Young; Vernon E. West, Corporation Counsel; and Clement Murphy, Chief Engineer, D. C. Fire Department; all of whom opposed the bill. Joseph W. Conroy, president, Firemen's Association, Local 36, International Association of Fire Fighters; and George J. Richardson, secretary-treasurer, International Association of Fire Fighters; both testified in favor of the legislation. Later the subcommittee voted to report the bill favorably to the full committee.

NATIONAL SECURITY ACT OF 1947

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Met on H. R. 2319, National Security Act of 1947, and heard Brig. Gen. Merritt A. Edson, who opposed the bill and agreed to later submit a bill to the committee that he considered to be adequate. Hearings continue on June 19 with Rear Adm. Ellis M. Zacharias of the Navy Department.

WORLD HEALTH

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee on National and International Movements met on H. J. Res. 161, providing for United States membership and participation in the World Health Organization and authorizing an appropriation therefor, and heard Dr. George F. Lull, secretary and general manager, American Medical Association, Washington, D. C.; Dr. Louise Pearse, Rockefeller Institute for Medical Research, New York City; Gen. James S. Simmons, School of Public Health, Harvard University, Boston, Mass.; Dr. Frank G. Boudreau, Millbank Memorial Fund, New York City; Mrs. Lefell Dickinson, General Federation of Women's Clubs, Washington, D. C.; Mrs. Elmira T. Wickenden, National Nursing Council, New York City; Dr. Robert P. Fischelis, American Pharmaceutical Association, Washington, D. C.; Dr. H. Van Zile Hyde, Alternate United States Representative on Interim Commission of World Health Organization; Dr. Abel Wolman, Johns Hopkins School of Hygiene, Baltimore, Md., all of whom testified in favor of H. J. Res. 161.

OIL—COMMERCE DEPT.—BOXCARS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Met in executive session on various pending bills and or-

dered the following measures to be favorably reported to the House:

H. J. Res. 211, consenting to an interstate oil compact to conserve oil and gas.

H. R. 3855, additional Assistant Secretary of Commerce.

Subcommittee on Railroads met on H. R. 3140, re boxcar shortage, and heard Representative Lemke, sponsor of the bill.

JUDICIAL

Committee on the Judiciary: Met in executive session to receive reports from subcommittees after which the committee ordered seven private claims bills favorably reported to the House after tabling four others. Also tabled H. R. 2966, which would amend the administrative procedure act to permit commissioned Coast Guard officers to preside at the taking of evidence in certain cases. The committee also considered H. R. 3566, giving the Attorney General discretion with regard to suspending deportation of certain categories of aliens; action on this bill was deferred.

Subcommittee on Immigration and Naturalization met in executive session and agreed to report favorably seven private immigration bills to the full committee.

CIVIL-SERVICE RETIREMENT

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Retirement Subcommittee met in executive session on H. R. 3232, civil-service retirement bill, which was subsequently ordered favorably reported to the full committee. It was agreed by the subcommittee that H. R. 3232 would be superseded by a new bill, H. R. 3872, to be introduced by Representative Stevenson today. The new bill is scheduled to be considered by the full committee on June 19.

INDIANS

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Indian Affairs met on various Indian bills and heard John A. Provinse, Assistant Commissioner, Office of Indian Affairs; Wade Crawford, Klamath delegate; and Glenn Wilkinson, attorney for the Klamath Tribe. Later the subcommittee voted to favorably report the following bills to the full committee:

H. R. 1337, authorizes per capita payments to the Red Lake Band of Chippewa Indians.

H. R. 3153, providing for the sale or other disposal of certain submarginal lands located within the boundaries of Indian reservations in the State of Montana (amended). Hearings continue tomorrow.

HYDROELECTRIC POWER

Committee on Public Works: Met on H. R. 3036, transfer of jurisdiction over certain hydroelectric power projects, and heard Hon. William Warne, Assistant

Secretary of the Interior, who appeared in opposition to the bill.

VETERANS' HOSPITALS

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Met to hear Dr. Paul R. Hawley, Chief Medical Director, Veterans' Administration, and Dr. H. A. Press, Director, Management and Planning, Department of Medicine and Surgery, Veterans' Administration, on the subject of Veterans' Administration hospitals. Hearing continues tomorrow with Dr. Paul R. Hawley.

TAX REVISION

Committee on Ways and Means: Resumed hearings on general tax revision and heard Representative Rogers of Florida, who spoke in behalf of his bill, H. R. 2724, providing for recognition of Florida as a community-property State for Federal income-tax purposes. Testimony was also heard from J. Paul Jackson, attorney at law, Dallas, Tex.; Charles Dunbar, Jr., attorney at law, New Orleans, La.; and James B. Howe, Jr., attorney at law, Seattle, Wash.; all of whom testified in behalf of H. R. 3842, a bill to equalize Federal income, estate, and gift taxes. Hearings continue tomorrow.

PAPER

Select Committee on Newsprint and Paper Supply: Met on current paper shortage and heard John B. Woods, director, forest resources appraisal, American Forestry Association; Rev. John S. Randall, managing director, Catholic Courier-Journal, Rochester, N. Y., representing the Catholic Press Association; and Robert P. Lalor, vice president, Greater Buffalo Press, Inc. Hearing continues tomorrow.

REPORT ON JOINT COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Conferees on H. R. 2436, Treasury-Post Office appropriations bill, held fourth session, but failed to reach agreement. Another meeting is scheduled June 19.

BILLS SIGNED BY THE PRESIDENT

(New Laws)

(For last listing of Public Laws, see p. D273)

S. J. Res. 69, printing revised edition of the annotated U. S. Constitution, as published in 1938, as S. Doc. 232, 74th Congress. Signed June 17, 1947 (P. L. 95).

Wednesday, June 18, 1947

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed emergency flood-control, enlistment, and carrier agreements bills, and debated wool price support conference report; House passed independent offices appropriations bill for 1948, and surplus war-housing disposal measure.

Bills on FDIC, housing, and holding companies approved by Senate group. Senate subcommittee acted on Reorganization Plan No. 2.

Bill extending Federal aid to education; and railroad corporations profit and tax carry-over measure ordered reported by House committees.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 7185-7187

Bills Introduced: Ten bills and three resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1465-S. 1474; S. J. Res. 130, 131; and S. Res. 129. Page 7186

Bills Referred: The following House-passed bills were referred to the committees indicated: H. R. 379, 431, 553, 645, 649, 710, 988, 1162, 1493, 1508, 1652, 1737, 1800, 2056, 2306, 2399, 2434, and 2607 (Committee on the Judiciary); H. R. 1486 and 2151 (Committee on Public Lands); H. R. 1845 and 3484 (Committee on Armed Services); H. R. 3511 (Committee on Civil Service);

and H. J. Res. 193 (Committee on Foreign Relations). (For passage in House, see p. D275.) Page 7187

Flood Control: Senate passed H. R. 3792, to provide for emergency flood-control work made necessary by recent floods. Pages 7187-7188

Enlistments: H. R. 3303, to continue after July 1 authority to receive voluntary enlistments in the Regular Army and to establish the periods of service, was passed, a conference with the House was asked, and the following conferees appointed: Senators Gurney, Bridges, Robertson of Wyoming, Tydings, and Russell. Pages 7188-7189

Wool: Conference Report (H. Rept. 584) on S. 814, wool price support bill, was debated, and by unanimous consent it was agreed to vote at 2:30 p. m. June 19 on the conference report and all motions thereto.

Pages 7187-7198, 7216-7217

Carrier Agreements: By a vote of 60 yeas to 27 nays, Senate passed S. 110, amending ICC act relative to agreements between carriers.

Previously, the following action had been taken: adopted the committee amendments; adopted several clarifying amendments by Senator O'Mahoney, and defeated his amendment requiring that no agreement for the establishment of an association should be approved by the ICC until it had been approved by the Congress; adopted by voice vote Senator Russell's amendment providing that the Supreme Court should not be deprived of jurisdiction to hear and determine the case of *Georgia v. Pennsylvania Railroad*; and defeated amendments by Senator Taylor seeking to continue provision for triple damages and to establish a Federal traffic bureau.

Pages 7199-7216

Confirmations: The following nominations were confirmed: Charles A. Robinson, as a member of the D. C. Redevelopment Land Agency; Harold R. Medina, judge for southern district of New York; Anton J. Lukaszewicz, as marshal for eastern district of Wisconsin; Col. Dwight F. Johns, president, California Debris Commission; John P. Gregg, to be a member of the Tariff Commission; together with 163 appointments in the Public Health Service, 7 in the Coast and Geodetic Survey, 32 in the Army, and 44 in the Diplomatic and Foreign Service.

Pages 7220-7221

Nominations: The following nominations were received: Robert F. Jones, as FCC Commissioner, and the withdrawal of the previous nomination of Roy C. Wakefield for the same post; Nora M. Harris, to be collector of customs for district No. 6; Otto Kerner, Jr., to be United States attorney for the northern district of Illinois; and 9 appointments in the Army.

Pages 7219-7220, 7221

Reports on Committee Meetings

FARM LABOR

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: The following witnesses spoke in favor of S. 1334, to provide a permanent farm-labor supply program: Representative Jack Z. Anderson; Morris B. Gardner, Shade Tobacco Growers Association, Hartford; Ralph B. Bunje, Farm Labor Bureau of the San Joaquin Valley, Fresno; F. A. Anderson, State Extension Service of Colorado; Fred Bailey, National Grange; and John Riggle, National Council of Farmer Co-Ops, Washington.

The following spoke in opposition to the bill: H. L. Mitchell, National Farm Labor Union, Memphis; Elmer Hewitt, Meat and Cannery Workers Local Union 56 of

New Jersey; W. O. Hake, Employment Security Department, Nashville; Pat Merrick, Employment Security Agency, Sacramento; Mrs. F. D. Hepburn, Michigan Migrant Committee, Royal Oak; and Dr. Paul Van der Schouw, Migrant Labor Health Association, Moultrie, Ga. Hearings continue tomorrow.

AGRICULTURE APPROPRIATION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on H. R. 3601, Agriculture Department appropriation bill, continued hearings with testimony from Lyle F. Watts, Chief of the Forest Service; C. M. Granger, Asst. Chief; Howard R. Jones, Asst. Chief of the Division of Engineering; Thomas H. MacDonald, Commissioner of Public Roads; C. D. Curtiss, Deputy Commissioner; Al F. Winkler, Western Association of State Highway Officials; Gus E. Budde, Statewide Forestry Committee of Missouri; and Wm. D. Davis, Missouri farm operator.

FORTS DOUGLAS AND WAYNE

Committee on Armed Services: Government witnesses were heard on S. 1112, providing for the transfer of a part of Ft. Douglas, Utah, and on H. R. 2183, providing for the conveyance of a portion of Ft. Wayne Military Reservation. Action was postponed to a later date, pending the drafting of a policy to govern in such matters. The following subcommittee was designated to draft the policy: Senators Saltonstall, Morse, and Byrd.

FDIC, HOUSING, HOLDING COMPANIES, AND VETERANS

Committee on Banking and Currency: In executive session the following bills were approved: S. 829, to provide for control and regulation of bank holding companies; S. 1070, providing cancellation of capital stock of FDIC and refund of moneys received for such stock, amended to delete section 3, to increase salaries of FDIC directors to \$12,500, and subject FDIC to Government Corporation Control Act; and S. 1361, to amend USHA to permit capital grants for low-rent housing and slum clearance projects where construction costs exceed present cost limitations under certain conditions, with perfecting amendment.

Committee also considered S. 1293, to enable Veterans' Administration to provide housing units for certain disabled veterans of World War II, and appointed a subcommittee, consisting of Senators McCarthy, Cain, and Sparkman to discuss this proposed legislation with the Veterans' Administration as to how best to draft a bill to accomplish the objective and report back recommendations to the full committee.

HOUSING REORGANIZATION PLAN

Committee on Banking and Currency: In open hearings, Raymond M. Foley, National Housing Administrator, testified in support of Reorganization Plan No. 3 of 1947, dealing with Federal housing.

POSTMASTERS—INVESTIGATION

Committee on Civil Service: Subcommittee on Post Offices held an organizational meeting for investigation of postmasters, in pursuance of S. Res. 81, authorizing such investigation, which was adopted by the Senate yesterday. The appointment of Amile Levine, Chicago attorney, as counsel for the subcommittee to conduct the investigation, was announced.

Subcommittee indicated that it would make a recommendation to the full committee for early action on the noncontroversial postmaster nominations, now pending before the committee.

SALE OF AIRPLANES

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Subcommittee on Surplus Property considered sale of some 5,000 used Army planes for salvage purposes to Martin Wunderlich (Kingman Air Field, Arizona), and heard John H. Carey, WAA, and Mr. Wunderlich himself testify as to the sale price and manner of handling the sale. Hearings continue tomorrow.

FCC AMENDMENTS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee continued hearings on S. 1333, FCC Act amendments, and heard Justin Miller, A. D. Willard, and Don Petty, all of the National Association of Broadcasters; and J. N. Bailey, executive director, FM Association.

SALMON TRAPS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee heard Asst. Sec. of the Interior Warner W. Gardner testify in support of S. 1446, to authorize leasing of salmon trap sites in Alaskan waters.

ANTIDISCRIMINATION

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee on Antidiscrimination held hearings on S. 984, to prohibit discrimination in employment because of race, religion, or color, with the following witnesses testifying in support of the bill: Walter Reuther, UAW; Roderick Stephens; Henry C. Turner; and Col. Charles Garside, New York State Commission, against discrimination, all

of New York; and Joseph Bustard, Deputy Director of State Education, Newark. Hearings continue tomorrow.

REORGANIZATION—USES AND WAGE HOUR

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee voted to approve the President's Reorganization Plan No. 2, when it voted to report adversely to the full committee H. Con. Res. 49, expressing disapproval of the President's Reorganization Plan No. 2, which would place USES under the Department of Labor instead of reverting it to the FSA, and the function of Wage and Hour Administrator under the Secretary of Labor.

COAL MINE SAFETY REGULATIONS

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee heard testimony on S. 100, to prescribe health and safety regulations for coal mines, by Jack Forbes, Bureau of Mines of the Department of the Interior, and Harrison V. Combs, UMW. Both analyzed the bill, making various suggestions. Hearings continue tomorrow.

FOREIGN CURRENCY

Combined meeting of *Committees on Appropriations, Armed Services, and Banking and Currency:* Continued hearings on military occupation currency, with testimony from Andrew N. Overby, Special Asst. to the Sec. of the Treasury; Joseph J. O'Connell, Jr., Treasury General Counsel; A. W. Hall, Director of the Bureau of Engraving and Printing; War. Dept. Budget Officer Maj. Gen. George J. Richards; Brig. Gen. E. M. Foster, Asst. Chief of Finance; and John H. Hildring, Asst. Sec. of State.

Director Hall testified that the Bureau of Engraving and Printing, through a private contractor, supplied 532,720,000 individual mark notes from 1/2 mark to 1,000 in denomination, at a cost of \$844,429, the cost of which was borne jointly by the American, British, and French Governments. This amounted to over 15 billion in marks, having a dollar value of 1 1/2 billion. He estimated that the cost of supplying currency plates and other material to the Russian Government was \$60,000. Hearings were adjourned subject to call.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Seventeen public bills, H. R. 3883-3899; five private bills, H. R. 3900-3904; and one resolution, H. J. Res. 219, were introduced. Pages 7263-7264

Bills Reported: Bills and resolutions were reported as follows:

H. R. 3638, amending the National Archives Act, so as to provide statutory authority for appropriations

to be furnished to the National Archives (H. Rept. 597);

H. R. 2588, providing for mails consigned to an airport from a post office, or vice versa, to be transported by trucks owned, and driven by personnel of, the Government-owned Motor Vehicle Service (H. Rept. 598);

H. R. 3513, transferring the Panama Railroad pension fund to the civil-service retirement and disability fund (H. Rept. 599);

Seven private claims bills: S. 116 (H. Rept. 600), H. R. 405 (H. Rept. 601), H. R. 406 (H. Rept. 602), H. R. 990 (H. Rept. 603), H. R. 1492 (H. Rept. 604), H. R. 1736 (H. Rept. 605), and H. R. 2268 (H. Rept. 606);

H. R. 3315, authorizing the conversion of certain naval vessels (H. Rept. 607); and

Disposal of certain executive papers (H. Rept. 608).

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Social Security Tax: Passed H. R. 3818, amending the Federal Insurance Contributions Act, a bill mainly designed to establish a new schedule of social security taxes for employers and employees. The proposed rates and calendar years are 1 percent for 1948 and 1949; 1½ percent for 1950 through 1956; and 2 percent for 1957 and thereafter.

The measure also continues, for the period ending June 30, 1950, the State-Federal matching formula with respect to old-age assistance and aid to dependent children and to the blind.

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Independent Offices Appropriations: Passed and sent to the Senate, H. R. 3839, the ninth of the regular departmental appropriations bills for 1948. As passed, with minor amendments, this measure appropriates for the Executive Office of the President and sundry independent offices of the Government, \$8,167,869,027 as recommended by the Committee on Appropriations, cutting the Budget estimate by \$330,540,732, and represents a decrease of \$1,446,257,123 from amount appropriated for 1947.

Pages 7225-7252

Corporation Carry-overs: Committee on Ways and Means obtained permission to file, by midnight, Friday, June 20, a report on H. R. 3861, allowing successor railroad corporations the benefits of certain of its predecessor's carry-overs as presently provided by the Internal Revenue Code.

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Reorganization Plan No. 3: Adopted H. Con. Res. 51, the disapproval resolution of President's Reorganization Plan No. 3, relating to home ownership and Federal housing agencies.

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War Housing: Passed, with sundry committee amendments, H. R. 3492, a bill providing for the expeditious disposition of certain war housing. The housing concerned in this measure, built for the war emergency, is of a permanent nature, and represents the 12,289 multi-family units constructed under the Lanham Act of 1940.

Pages 7252-7262

Reports on Committee Meetings

FARM LABOR

Committee on Agriculture: Met on H. R. 3367, providing a program for the collection and dissemination of in-

formation with respect to the supply and demand for agricultural workers, and heard F. A. Anderson, Director, Agricultural Extension Service, State of Colorado; H. L. Mitchell, president, National Farm Labor Union, A. F. of L.; Rev. William J. Gibbons, S. J., board of directors, National Catholic Rural Life Conference; Elmer J. Hewitt, vice president, Meat Cannery and Farm Workers Union, Local No. 56, Bridgeton, N. J. Hearing continues tomorrow.

UNIVERSAL MILITARY TRAINING

Committee on Armed Services: Met on universal military training legislation and heard Dr. Walsh, president, Georgetown University, testify in favor of universal military training. Hearing continues tomorrow.

RECONSTRUCTION FINANCE CORPORATION

Committee on Banking and Currency: Met in executive session on the continuation and extension of RFC. Meeting continues tomorrow.

D. C. ACTIONS

Committee on the District of Columbia: Judiciary Subcommittee met in executive session and agreed to report favorably to the full committee H. R. 3864, amending present unemployment compensation law so as to credit military service as continuing operation for the purpose of contribution; H. R. 3744, authorizing construction of railroad siding; H. R. 3131, extending for 1 year the provisions of the District of Columbia Emergency Rent Act, amended to run to March 31, 1948.

AID TO EDUCATION

Committee on Education and Labor: Met on H. R. 3682, extending the period providing assistance for certain war-incurred school enrollments, and ordered the bill favorably reported to the House as amended. This bill extends the time for granting aid to education, as provided by the Lanham Act, to June 30, 1948, but limits the amount of assistance to not exceed \$5,000,000 for the period stated.

FREEDOM TRAIN—DEPT. OF PEACE—FEDERAL LOBBYING

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Met to discuss Freedom Train and heard Attorney General Clark who described the proposed activities and plans for the Freedom Train.

At 2 p. m. the committee met on H. R. 503, creating a Department of Peace headed by a Secretary of Peace, and heard R. M. Davis, president of the Davis-Wilson Coal Co., Morgantown, W. Va.; Jennings Randolph, former Congressman and assistant to the president, Capital Airlines, Washington, D. C.; Miss Mary Helen Bruffy, high-school student, Webster Springs, W. Va.; Kenneth R. Kurtz, high-school student, Weston, W. Va.; Dr. Carl

M. Frasure, professor of political science, West Virginia University, Morgantown, W. Va.; Rev. W. S. Royd, pastor, Wesley Methodist Church, Morgantown, W. Va.; Dr. Paul F. Douglass, president, American University, Washington, D. C.

Subcommittee on Publicity and Propaganda met to investigate alleged lobbying activities of officials of the United States Public Health Service, Children's Bureau, Office of Education, and other Federal units which participated in the formation and operation of health workshops in the West and Northwest, designed to implement pressure groups in favor of socialized medicine, and heard E. Forsythe Engebretson, executive secretary, North Dakota State Medical Association, Bismarck, N. Dak.; Harry J. Becker, Director, Administrative Methods Unit, Division of Health Services, Children's Bureau, Federal Security Agency; Miss Margaret Klem, Chief, Medical Economics Section, Social Security Administration.

MILITARY COOPERATION

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee No. 1 met in executive session on H. R. 3836, Inter-American Military Cooperation Act and heard Col. G. Ordway, GSC, Plans and Operations, War Department General Staff and delegate to the IADB; Maj. Gen. James K. Crain, Special Assistant to Assistant Secretary of State Gen. John Hildring; Rear Adm. M. R. Greer, USN (Pan-American Affairs in Office of Chief of Naval Operations); Durward V. Sandifer, Acting Legislative Counsel, State Department; Col. Charles H. Deerwester, Air Corps, Army Air Member, Permanent Joint Board on Defense, Canada-United States, Secretary, United States Section, Joint Mexican-United States Defense Commission, Air Adviser to the Inter-American Defense Board; all of whom testified in favor of the bill.

PRINTING

Committee on House Administration: Subcommittee on Printing met in executive session and ordered favorably reported to the full committee H. Con. Res. 39, amended, H. Con. Res. 40, H. Res. 186, H. Res. 234, and H. Res. 241.

RAILROAD UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE—BOX-CAR SHORTAGE

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Met in executive session on H. R. 3152, extension of ODT, and heard Col. J. Monroe Johnson, Director of ODT.

Howell subcommittee met on H. R. 3150, railroad unemployment insurance, and heard A. R. Findley, Chicago, Ill., representing Illinois Federation of Retail Associations, National Retail Dry Goods Association,

and Chamber of Commerce of the United States; Dewey Dorsett, manager, National Association of Casualty and Surety Executives, New York City; Edward D. Brown, actuary, Chicago, Ill.; Robert Hogg, executive vice president, American Life Convention, Chicago, Ill.; James Dorsey, chief clerk, Pension Department, Illinois Central Railroad, Chicago, Ill.; Thomas Stack, president, Railroad Employees Pension Protective Committee, Chicago, Ill.; James M. Souby, general solicitor, Association of American Railroads, Washington, D. C.; Sidney S. Alderman, general counsel, Southern Railway, Washington, D. C.; all of whom favor the bill. Hearing continues tomorrow.

Gillette subcommittee met on H. R. 3140, boxcar shortage, and heard Vance N. Kirby, senior attorney, U. S. Department of Treasury; Warren C. Kendall, car service division, Association of American Railroads, Washington, D. C.; W. T. Faricy, president, Association of American Railroads, Washington, D. C.; James M. Symes, deputy vice president in charge of operations, Pennsylvania Railroads, Philadelphia, Pa.; C. J. Goodyear, Anthracite Institute, Philadelphia, Pa.; Edward S. Gubernator, representing Atlantic States Shippers Advisory Board, Allentown, Pa.; Roland Rice, general counsel, American Trucking Associations, Inc., Washington, D. C.; all of whom opposed the bill.

Hinshaw subcommittee met in executive session on enemy property legislation.

JUDICIAL

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 2 met to hear the authors of various bills providing for Federal incorporation of certain organizations and heard Representative Walter in support of H. R. 154, to incorporate the National Camp, Patriotic Order Sons of America; Representative Goodwin in support of H. R. 685, to incorporate the United War Mothers of America, Inc.; Representative Cunningham in support of H. R. 932, to incorporate the National Association, Rainbow Division Veterans; Representative Hugh Scott, Jr., and Representative Ross in support of H. R. 2673, to incorporate the Descendants of the Signers of the Declaration of Independence; Representative Fulton in support of H. R. 3831, to incorporate the United States Navy Veterans; Representative Cole of Missouri in support of H. R. 3794, to incorporate the National Service Star Legion; Representative Lane in support of H. R. 1686 and H. R. 1701, for the incorporation of La Legion Franco-Americaine des Etats Unis d'Amerique, and H. R. 3554 and H. R. 3558, providing for the incorporation of the Franco-American War Veterans. Appearing in support of H. R. 2723 and H. R. 3462, to incorporate the Jewish War Veterans, were Representatives Lane, McCormack, Ross, Sadlak, Miller of Connecticut,

Twyman, Donohue, Kersten, and Forand. Appearing or submitting statements in support of the various bills to incorporate the Catholic War Veterans were Representatives Lane, Miller of Connecticut, Price of Illinois, Rogers of Massachusetts, and Sadlak. Mr. Hobby presented a statement for Representative Fuller in support of H. R. 1442, to incorporate the Italian-American World War Veterans of the United States.

Subcommittee on Patents, Trade-Marks, and Copyrights continued hearings on three entertainment copyright bills, H. R. 1269, H. R. 1270, and H. R. 2570, and heard John Schulman, counsel, Songwriters Protective Association; Irving B. Ackerman, counsel, Michigan Automatic Phonograph Operators; Morris Bristol, vice president, Wurlitzer Co., Chicago, Ill.

Subcommittee on Claims held hearings on several private claims bills and ordered 25 of them favorably reported to the full committee and two adversely reported to the full committee.

WILDLIFE—PANAMA CANAL

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Subcommittee on Conservation of Wildlife Resources met on H. R. 3043, transferring to the Secretary of the Interior lands acquired in connection with Crab Orchard Creek project and the Illinois Ordnance Plant, and heard Kent E. Keller, Ava, Ill.; Gregory Hankin, Washington, D. C.; Albert Day, Director of Fish and Wildlife Service; G. R. Gutermuth, Wildlife Management Institute; Clark Venable, Potomac Beach, Va.; and Robert Whittet, War Assets Administration.

Subcommittee on Panama Canal met in executive session on report on Panama Canal investigation.

INDIANS

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Indian Affairs held hearings on various Indian measures and heard Harry M. Critchfield, Director of Lands, Bureau of Indian Affairs, who testified on H. R. 1150, H. R. 1484, H. R. 1485, H. R. 1487, H. R. 1727, H. R. 1784, H. R. 2594, and H. R. 2885; and Representative Fletcher who testified on H. R. 3064, and Representative Morris who testified on H. R. 3021. Later the subcommittee voted to favorably report to the full committee H. R. 2885, patent in fee to Becker Little Light, and H. R. 2886, patent in fee to Richard Little Light. Hearing continues tomorrow.

Subcommittee on Territorial and Insular Possessions met in executive session on H. R. 2753, H. R. 3044, and H. R. 3563, bills on government for Guam.

HYDROELECTRIC POWER

Committee on Public Works: Met on H. R. 3036, transfer from the Interior Department to the War Department facilities for transmitting electric power from reservoir project under War Department control, and heard William Warne, Assistant Secretary of the Interior, who concluded his testimony in opposition. Hearing continues tomorrow.

CONTROL OF EXPORTS

Committee on Rules: Met and heard Representatives Shafer and Brooks in favor of a resolution providing consideration of H. R. 3049, a bill to continue authority for controlling exports of certain commodities. No action was taken on the resolution.

VETERANS' BENEFITS—HOSPITALS

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Full committee in executive session approved a clean bill on subsistence allowances, which will be reported Thursday. Also ordered to be favorably reported H. R. 3623, a bill making members of the Communist Party ineligible for veterans' benefits. In open hearing on Veterans' Administration hospitals, heard continuation of testimony furnished by Dr. Paul R. Hawley, Chief Medical Director, Veterans' Administration.

TAX REVISION—RAILROADS

Committee on Ways and Means: Held further hearings on general tax revision and heard Representative Robertson of North Dakota on behalf of his bill H. R. 2002, community property, and also heard James C. Ingebretsen, attorney at law, Los Angeles, Calif., and Hon. Wesley E. Disney, representing the Governor of the State of Oklahoma, both of whom discussed problems of taxation of community property. Hearing continues tomorrow.

Later the committee met in an executive session and ordered favorably reported to the House H. R. 3861, allowing successor railroad corporations the benefits of certain of its predecessor's carry-overs as presently provided by the Internal Revenue Code, and H. R. 3444, pertaining to income tax of prisoners of war.

REPORT ON JOINT COMMITTEE MEETINGS ATOMIC ENERGY

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: In executive session June 17 the committee discussed whether or not additional legislation is necessary at this time.

Thursday, June 19, 1947

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate cleared rent-control extension, wool price-support, and housing bills for President.

House passed bills amending Veterans' Preference Act and the Interstate Commerce Act.

USES and Wage-Hour transfers approved by Senate group.

Bills on executive-branch organization, armed services, emergency powers, and bankruptcy approved by Senate groups.

Bills on veterans' preference and subsistence allowances, deportation, retirement, and social security approved by House committees.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 7285-7287

Bills Introduced: Two bills and five resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1475 and 1476; S. J. Res. 132 and 133; S. Con. Res. 19; and S. Res. 130 and 131.

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Bills Reported: Bills and resolutions were reported, as follows:

Seven private claims bills: S. 305, 706, H. R. 617, 381, 2915, 407, and 1318 (S. Repts. 292, 293, 294, 296, 297, 298, and 299, respectively);

H. R. 3769, to amend the Bankruptcy Act with respect to qualifications of part-time referees (S. Rept. 295);

S. 829, to provide control and regulations of bank holding companies (S. Rept. 300);

S. 1070, to provide for cancellation of capital stock of FDIC (S. Rept. 301);

H. R. 2339, to repeal law providing additional compensation for Army mail clerks (S. Rept. 302);

H. R. 1807, land easement to naval depot in McAlester, Okla. (S. Rept. 303);

H. R. 1371, to authorize appointment of Marine Corps officers for supply duty only (S. Rept. 304);

Two private bills: H. J. Res. 92 and 96 (S. Repts. 305 and 311, respectively);

H. R. 1362, to count temporary appointments for promotion (S. Rept. 306);

H. R. 1376, relative to transportation of dependents and household effects of servicemen (S. Rept. 307);

H. J. Res. 167, to authorize certificates of separation to uncompensated personnel of Selective Service System (S. Rept. 308);

S. 229, to authorize a Navy postgraduate school at Monterey (S. Rept. 309);

H. R. 1379, to establish United States naval postgraduate school (S. Rept. 310); and

Two private relief bills: H. R. 1067 and 1144 (S. Repts. 312 and 313, respectively). *Pages 7285-7286*

Bills Referred: The following House-passed bills were referred to the committees indicated: H. R. 3492, H. Con. Res. 51 (Committee on Banking and Currency); H. R. 3818 (Committee on Finance); and H. R. 3839 (Committee on Appropriations). (For passage in House, see p. D280.) *Page 7287*

Wool: Senate adopted, 48 yeas to 38 nays, conference report (H. Rept. 584) on S. 814, wool price-support bill, thus clearing the measure for President. *Pages 7284, 7289-7293*

Presidential Succession: S. 564, Presidential succession bill, was made the unfinished business. *Page 7287*

Rent Control: Conference report (H. Rept. 591) on H. R. 3203, continuation of rent control, was adopted by voice vote, clearing bill for President. H. Con. Res. 53, correcting a technical error in this bill, was passed. *Pages 7287-7292, 7297-7300*

Housing: Senate agreed to House amendments to S. 1230, to extend provisions of the National Housing Act to January 31, 1948, thus clearing bill for the President. *Page 7290*

Nominations: The following nominations were received: Charles E. Saltzman, to be an Asst. Sec. of State; Edwin C. Wilson, to be Chief of the American Mission for Aid to Turkey; and James E. Wells, Jr., to be Cooperative Bank Commissioner of FCA; together with 73 appointments in the Army Nurse Corps. *Pages 7300-7304*

Reports on Committee Meetings

FARM LABOR

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: The following witnesses testified in support of S. 1334, to provide a

permanent farm-labor program: Representative Phillips of California; Willis Tobler, American Farm Bureau Federation, Washington; and Chas. A. Rummell, Calif. Farm Bureau.

The following witnesses spoke in opposition to it: Robert C. Goodwin, USES; Clark Foreman, Southern Conference for Human Welfare, Washington; Mrs. Elizabeth Sasuly, Food, Tobacco, Agricultural and Allied Workers Union of America, Washington; Thomas B. Keehn, Congregational Christian Church, Washington; Rev. William J. Gibbons, National Catholic Rural Life Conference, N. Y.; and Walter J. Mason, A. F. of L.

AGRICULTURE APPROPRIATION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee continued hearings on H. R. 3601, Agriculture Department appropriation bill, with testimony from Senators Morse and Pepper; L. R. Simons, director of Cornell agricultural extension service; H. P. Rusk, Dean of Illinois College of Agriculture; and Under Sec. of Agriculture N. E. Dodd.

URGENT DEFICIENCY

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on H. R. 3791, second urgent deficiency appropriation bill, completed hearings with testimony from Senator Knowland; Sec. of Agriculture Clinton P. Anderson; Robert S. Burgess, Post Office Department; and James M. Landis, Chairman, CAB. The full committee meets tomorrow on this bill.

STATE, JUSTICE, COMMERCE APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on H. R. 3311, State, Justice, Commerce appropriations bill, in executive session to begin "marking up" the bill.

MILITARY BILLS APPROVED

Committee on Armed Services: In executive session the committee approved the following 17 measures: H. R. 1358, to amend the Naval Plantations Act, with amendment; H. R. 1375, relative to clothing allowances, with amendment; H. R. 1845, relative to military leave for Federal employees; H. R. 2248, re land easement, Camp Livingston, La.; H. R. 2276, to authorize \$75,000 for participation of Army personnel in Olympic games, amended to authorize additional \$50,000 for Navy personnel; H. R. 3124, Marine Band attendance at GAR convention in Cleveland; H. R. 3629, to transfer certain surplus property to Panama Canal; and S. 229, H. R. 1362, 1371, 1376, 1379, 1807, 2339, H. J. Res. 92, 96, and 167. (For titles of these, see Bills Reported, p. D283.)

HOUSING REORGANIZATION PLAN

Committee on Banking and Currency: Committee held hearings on Reorganization Plan No. 3 of 1947, dealing with housing, with the following witnesses supporting the plan: Carl H. Ellingson, National Savings & Loan League; Wesley D. Pearce, Veterans of Foreign Wars; and Richard Alger, Office of Housing Expediter.

The following witnesses appeared in opposition: Clarke Daniel, National Home & Property Owners Foundation; Thos. S. Holden, Commerce & Industry Assn. of N. Y.; Calvin K. Snyder, National Assn. of Real Estate Boards; Robert R. Poston, American Legion; Joseph T. King, National Retail Lumber Dealers Assn.; James W. Rouse, Mortgage Bankers Assn. of America; Vernon P. Spencer, Calif. Savings & Loan League; Frank W. Cortright, National Assn. of Home Builders; and Geo. L. Bliss, R. R. Federal Savings & Loan Assn.

PARCEL POST AND POSTAL SERVICE

Committee on Civil Service: Committee met with officials of the Post Office and War Departments to explore the apparent excessive rates on parcel post to occupied zones in connection with its study of S. 989, to amend the Trading with the Enemy Act relative to shipping parcels to occupied zones.

The Baldwin subcommittee also met to study various postal service bills (S. 520, 549, 635, 697, 809, and 1064) with representatives of the Post Office Department and the postal field service testifying.

INSURANCE BILLS

Committee on the District of Columbia: Subcommittee approved S. 612, H. R. 1633, H. R. 1634, relating to D. C. insurance business, and H. R. 1893, sale of the bed of E St. Full committee is scheduled to act on these proposals June 24.

GOVERNMENT ORGANIZATION AND BUSINESS INFORMATION

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: In executive session, committee approved without amendment, S. 164, to provide for the establishment of the Commission on Organization of the Executive Branch of the Government.

Proposed amendments by the subcommittee to S. 493, Technical Information and Services Act, were discussed and the subcommittee was given further instructions for final drafting of modified version of S. 493. (See pp. D264 and D265.)

A subcommittee, consisting of Senators Bricker, chairman, Hickenlooper, Thyne, Hoey, and O'Connor, was appointed to study intergovernmental relationships.

SALE OF AIRPLANES

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Subcommittee on Surplus Property held further session on the sale of Army planes at Kingman Field, Ariz., with John H. Carey, WAA, and Martin Wunderlich continuing their testimony.

FCC AMENDMENTS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee on S. 1333, FCC amendments, continued hearings with testimony from Robert K. Richards, Frank E. Pellegrin, and Harold Fair, all of the Natl. Assoc. of Broadcasters; Campbell Arnoux, WTAR, Nor-

folk; Harry Bannister, WWJ, Detroit; Maurice Lynch, WCFL, Chicago; Fritz Morency, WTIC, Hartford; and Mark Woods, American Broadcasting Co. Hearings continue tomorrow.

EXPORT CONTROL, 2D WAR POWERS, BANKRUPTCY, AND MINOR BILLS

Committee on the Judiciary: In executive session the committee approved the following bills: S. 1461, to extend temporarily certain emergency powers of the President under Title III of the 2d War Powers Act, relative to priorities and allocations, and S. 1460, to continue export controls, and authorized Senator Cooper, chairman of the subcommittee handling the bills, to prepare amendments to be offered on the Senate floor;

H. R. 3769, to amend the Bankruptcy Act with respect to qualifications of part-time referees, amended; S. 18, relative to eligibility of citizens to serve on grand or petit juries, amended; and S. 175, housing quarters for United States district court for south Georgia;

Ten private claims bills: S. 179, 258, 880, 957, 1100; H. R. 381, 407, 617, 1067, and 1144; and

Seven private immigration bills: S. 292, 305, 490, 706; H. R. 1318, 1742, with amendment, and 2915.

JUDICIAL NOMINATIONS

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee also approved the following nominations: Frank B. Potter, to be United States attorney for the northern district of Texas; Henry W. Moursund, to be United States attorney for the western district of Texas; Jed Johnson, to be judge of United States Customs Court; John C. Collet, to be judge of the United States Circuit Court of Appeals for the Eighth Circuit; Otto Schoen, to be United States marshal for the eastern district of Missouri; and Marvin Jones, to be Chief Justice of United States Court of Claims.

REORGANIZATION—USES AND WAGE-HOUR

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Committee, by a vote of 8 to 5, approved the President's Reorganization Plan No. 2, when it voted to report adversely H. Con. Res. 49, expressing disapproval of the President's Reorganization Plan No. 2, which would place USES under the Dept. of Labor instead of reverting it to the FSA, and the function of Wage and Hour Administrator under the Sec. of Labor.

ANTIDISCRIMINATION

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee on Antidiscrimination meeting on S. 984, to prohibit discrimination in employment because of race, religion, or color, heard the following proponents: Mayor Hubert H. Humphrey, Minneapolis; Mrs. Mildred H. Mahoney, FEPC, Boston; Clarence Barbour, Students for Democratic Action, University of North Carolina; Henry Epstein, National Community Relations Advisory Council, New York; and Mrs. Theodore O. Wedel, United Council of Church Women, Washington.

COAL MINE SAFETY REGULATIONS

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee heard further testimony on S. 100, to prescribe health and safety regulations for coal mines, and S. J. Res. 130, to establish code for health and safety in bituminous coal and lignite mines, and heard testimony in support of legislation by Sec. of Interior Krug and Dr. R. R. Sayers, director, Bureau of Mines; Charles J. Farrington, Nat. Coal Assoc.; Warren R. Ross, Panther Creek Mines, Springfield; and a coal producer from Illinois testified in opposition.

NATURAL RESOURCES

Committee on Public Lands: Natural Resources Economic Subcommittee heard Richard B. McEntire, SEC Commissioner; and Baldwin B. Bane, director; Edwin T. McCormick, asst. director; and Benjamin Adelstein, principal mining engineer, all of the Corporation Finance Division of SEC, discuss organization and functions of the SEC, as well as its general rules and regulations as they affect the mining industry. Hearings continue tomorrow.

INDIANS

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee met to study various California Indian bills.

SMALL BUSINESS—STEEL

Special Committee to Study Problems of American Small Business: Subcommittee on Steel heard Wilfred Sykes, Inland Steel Co., Chicago; and Dr. Louis Bean, Office of the Sec. of Agriculture, discuss "whether the present steel capacity as determined by the steel industry is adequate for normal demands of all segments of industry." Hearings continue tomorrow.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Nine public bills, H. R. 3905-3912 and 3915; two private bills, H. R. 3913 and 3914; and two resolutions, H. Res. 250 and H. J. Res. 220, were introduced.

Pages 7348-7349

Bills Reported: Bills and resolutions were reported, as follows:

H. R. 107, authorizing wildlife management and control areas in the State of California (H. Rept. 609);

H. R. 859, authorizing study of fisheries in the tropical and subtropical Pacific Ocean (H. Rept. 610);

H. R. 3569, authorizing construction of a chapel and library at United States Merchant Marine Academy (H. Rept. 611);

H. J. Res. 211, consenting to an interstate oil compact to conserve oil and gas (H. Rept. 612);

H. R. 1639, amending the Employers' Liability Act, so as to limit venue in actions brought in United States district courts or in State courts under such act (H. Rept. 613);

S. 1316, facilitating the negotiation of certain Government checks by extending the period of negotiability, and providing a simpler method of financing ultimate payments (H. Rept. 614);

H. R. 1995, amending the Civil Service Retirement Act of 1930, providing for a return, on option, of contributions made to the retirement fund by civilian employees who are separated from the service before completing 10 years (H. Rept. 615);

H. R. 3813, preventing the holding of office or position in the executive branch of the Government by any person found disloyal to the United States (H. Rept. 616);

H. R. 3444, to amend section 251 of the Internal Revenue Code, relating to compensation received by United States citizens who were taken as prisoners of war (H. Rept. 617).

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Military Enlistments: The House disagreed to the Senate amendment on H. R. 3303, to stimulate volunteer enlistments in the Regular Military Establishment of the United States, agreed to the conference asked, and Representatives Andrews of New York, Short, Arends, Vinson, and Drewry were appointed as House conferees.

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Rules: The special rules adopted, to accompany bills considered and passed, were H. Res. 231 (H. R. 1389), H. Res. 243 (H. R. 966), and H. Res. 246 (H. R. 2298).

Pages 7315, 7316-7319, 7320

Veterans—Active Duty: Passed, with committee amendment, H. R. 1389, a bill to amend the Veterans' Preference Act of 1944, thereby clarifying the intent of Congress that preference in Federal employment, based on military service, is restricted to ex-servicemen whose active duty was full-time duty, during any war, with military pay and allowances, and for which a campaign badge has been authorized.

Pages 7315-7318

Veterans—Civil Service: Passed, with committee amendments, H. R. 966, a bill to amend the Veterans' Preference Act of 1944, wherein an administrative officer of a Government agency suspends without pay, demotes, or dismisses any preference-eligible, such preference-eligible may appeal to the Civil Service Commission, and, after investigation, the decision of the Commission shall be binding and must be carried out by the agency concerned.

Pages 7319-7320

Railroad Financing: Passed, with committee amendments, H. R. 2298, amending the Interstate Commerce

Act, providing a procedure whereby the Interstate Commerce Commission may approve action by railroads, not in bankruptcy, to alter or modify their debt obligations. This approval may be given only after the Commission reviews the financial structure of the railroad with the assent of 75 percent of the bondholders.

Pages 7320-7343

Reports on Committee Meetings

FARM LABOR—POTATO SURPLUS

Committee on Agriculture: Met on H. R. 3367, farm labor supply program, and heard Ralph Bunje, manager of the Agricultural Labor Bureau of the San Joaquin Valley in California; and Robert C. Goodwin, Director, United States Employment Service, Department of Labor. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

Andresen subcommittee met on H. Res. 166, potato surplus, and heard S. R. Smith, Chief of Fruit and Vegetable Section, Department of Agriculture; and Representative Barden.

UNIVERSAL MILITARY TRAINING

Committee on Armed Services: Met on universal military training and heard Dr. Daniel A. Poling, editor of the Christian Herald, and Truman K. Gibson, Jr., members of the President's Advisory Commission on Universal Military Training, both of whom testified in favor of the legislation.

RECONSTRUCTION FINANCE CORPORATION

Committee on Banking and Currency: Met in executive session on H. R. 3898, extension of RFC, after which announcement was made that RFC would probably be continued until June 30, 1949, with its borrowing power curtailed to \$2,000,000,000. Meeting continues tomorrow.

D. C. CHILD DAY-CARE CENTERS

Committee on the District of Columbia: Subcommittee on Health, Education, and Recreation held hearings on H. R. 3208, child day-care centers, and heard Commissioner Guy Mason; Corporation Counsel Vernon West, who opposed the bill; Raymond F. Clapp, who had administered the program under the present law, and pointed out the necessity for screening parents using the program; Rev. Brook Moseley, director, Department of Social Relations, of the Episcopal Church, who urged that the work be continued; and Lucille Lewis, superintendent of Child Day-Care Centers, who spoke on the beginning and growth of the program.

NATIONAL SECURITY ACT OF 1947

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Department: Held hearings on H. R. 2319, National Security Act of 1947, and heard Rear Admiral Ellis M. Zacharias, who testified in opposition to the bill. Hearings will continue tomorrow, for further testimony from Admiral Zacharias.

HOUSE ADMINISTRATION ACTIONS

Committee on House Administration: Met in executive session and ordered favorably reported to the House the following: H. Con. Res. 39, authorizing Committee on Un-American Activities to have printed for its use additional copies of the hearing held February 6, 1947; H. Con. Res. 40, authorizing Committee on Un-American Activities to have printed for its use additional copies of House Report 209, 80th Cong.; H. Res. 186, authorizing Committee on Ways and Means to have printed for its use additional copies of the hearings held before said committee during the current session relative to reciprocal trade agreements; H. Res. 241, authorizing the printing as a House Document of "History of the Committee on the Judiciary" (prepared by Hon. Louis E. Graham); H. R. 2581, providing Members of Congress with identification cards; S. J. Res. 89, providing for the printing and distribution of certain matter relating to congressional activities as included in the Congressional Record (making "Digest" in back of Congressional Record available for sale); and S. J. Res. 113, erecting memorial to Marine Corps dead of all wars. Committee ordered H. Res. 83, providing for the printing of the manuscript "Fascism in Action," reported without recommendation.

RAILROAD UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Howell Subcommittee held public hearings on H. R. 3150, Railroad Unemployment Insurance, and heard J. P. Nye, secretary-treasurer, American Shortline Railroad Association, Washington, D. C.; Dr. Julius H. Parmalee, vice president, Association of American Railroads, Washington, D. C.; and J. Carter Fort, vice president and general counsel, Association of American Railroads, Washington, D. C., all of whom testified in favor of the bill; and Lester P. Schoene, general counsel, Railway Labor Executives Association, Washington, D. C., who testified in opposition to the bill. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

The committee announced public hearings as follows: June 23 and 24, Hall subcommittee on H. R. 2972 and 2973, to amend the Federal Power Act; June 25 and 26, full committee on H. R. 221 (Bulwinkle bill), and S. 110, agreements between carriers.

DEPORTATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Met in executive session and ordered favorably reported to the House H. R. 3566, with amendment, giving the Attorney General discretion to suspend deportation in the case of certain categories of aliens; and also five private immigration bills.

WILDLIFE

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Subcommittee on Conservation of Wildlife Resources held hearings on H. R. 3487 and H. R. 3578, relating to the Parker River Wildlife Refuge in Massachusetts and heard Malcolm Fryer; Senator Philip K. Allen; Senator

Joseph S. Virostek; Representative Earl Crockett; David J. Coddair, Assistant Attorney General; Brainard C. Wallace, selectman; Arthur D. Weston; Silas Little, selectman; Joseph B. Rolfe; William Hayes, attorney; Lispenard P. Phister, attorney; Percy Lovell; Dr. Storer P. Humphreys; George Papas; Mrs. Augustus J. Barton; Mrs. Florence Bushee; Mrs. Gertrude Lovell; and Joseph D. Hagar, all of Massachusetts. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

VETERANS' PREFERENCE

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Met in executive session and ordered favorably reported, with amendment, H. R. 1426, extending veterans' preference to widowed mothers of veterans under certain conditions; H. J. Res. 156, stamp commemorating U. S. S. Constitution; and H. R. 1995, to amend the Civil Service Retirement Act of May 29, 1930, as amended, to provide for the return of the amount of deductions from the compensation of any employee who is separated from the service or transferred to a position not within the purview of such act before completing 10 years of service. The latter bill was ordered reported on June 12, but subsequently recalled and further amended to make it retroactive to January 24, 1942.

INDIANS

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Indian Affairs held hearings on various Indian bills and heard Representative Schwabe, and Harry M. Critchfield and John H. Provinse, Office of Indian Affairs. H. R. 3322, rights-of-way through Osage Indian land, and H. R. 3323, to enable Osage Indians to determine value of tract offered for lease for oil, gas, and other mining purposes, were ordered favorably reported to the full committee. Hearings on various Indian bills will continue tomorrow.

HYDROELECTRIC POWER—POST ROADS

Committee on Public Works: Subcommittee on Roads met in executive session and ordered favorably reported to the full committee H. R. 3759, Federal aid to States in the construction of rural post roads.

Full committee continued hearings on H. R. 3036, transferring from Interior Department to War Department facilities for transmitting electric power from reservoir project under War Department control, and heard Donald G. Wright, Administrator, Southwestern Power Administration; Arthur Garton, chairman, Columbia Basin Commission; Donald Damon, Columbia Basin Commission; and Thomas D. Welborn, Columbia Basin Commission, Brewster, Wash., all of whom testified in opposition to the bill. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

VETERANS

Committee on Rules: Heard Representative O'Konski of the Committee on Veterans' Affairs in favor of a resolution providing consideration of H. R. 3516, a bill to

increase rate of service pension for veterans of the Spanish-American War and the Civil War and their dependents. No action was taken on the resolution.

Heard Representative Mathews, of the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, in favor of a rule providing consideration of H. R. 3583, a bill to authorize payments by the Administrator of Veterans' Affairs on the purchase of automobiles or other conveyances by certain disabled veterans. No action was taken on the resolution.

VETERANS

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Met in executive session and ordered favorably reported H. R. 3888, increasing subsistence allowances for veterans attending schools.

Subcommittee on Compensation and Pensions met in open session on bills for statutory award for tuberculosis and income limitations, and heard T. O. Kraabel, director of rehabilitation, American Legion; John C. Williamson, assistant legislative director, VFW; Robert E. McLaughlin, legislative director, AMVETS; Francis M. Sullivan, legislative director, DAV; Quintus Camp, DAV; Willis Howard, assistant director of claims, Veterans' Administration; and Edward Reinmuth, Veterans' Administration.

TAX REVISION—SOCIAL SECURITY

Committee on Ways and Means: Continued hearings on general tax revision, with special reference to community property and family partnerships, and heard Representative Reeves on behalf of his bill, H. R. 1759; Murray M. Flack, Federal tax attorney, Pittsburgh, Pa., representing the National Association of State Chambers of Commerce, and Richard E. Steinbrecher, Chicago, Ill., both of whom discussed problems of taxation of community property; J. Walter Becker, Sycamore, Ill., who testified on problems of taxation of family partnerships. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

Subcommittee on Social Security met in executive session and voted to report favorably to the full committee H. R. 3704, exempting newspaper venders from social-security coverage.

REPORT ON JOINT COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Conferees on H. R. 2436, Treasury-Post Office appropriations bill, held fifth meeting, but failed to reach agreement.

D. C. Subcommittees of the House and Senate Appropriation Committees held joint executive meeting on D. C. funds.

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HIGHLIGHTS

Senate debated and agreed to vote on labor veto message and passed D. C. bills.

House overrode President's veto on labor-management bill, 331 yeas to 83 nays.

Deficiency appropriations reported to Senate, and subcommittees completed "marking up" State, Justice, Commerce, and Navy appropriations bills.

Bills on Merchant Marine, Army and Navy, civil-service retirement, postal rates, and social security ordered reported to House.

RFC bill approved by House and Senate groups.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 7348-7352, 7461-7463

Bills Introduced: Fourteen bills and four resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1477-S. 1490; S. J. Res. 134-136; and S. Res. 132. Pages 7351, 7463

Bills Reported: Bills and resolutions were reported, as follows:

S. 18, to establish uniform qualifications of Federal jurors (S. Rept. 314);

S. 175, to provide quarters for United States district court in southern Georgia (S. Rept. 315);

S. 490, to provide for the extension of the Classification Act of 1923 to certain immigration and naturalization officers (S. Rept. 317);

H. R. 3791, second urgent deficiency appropriation (S. Rept. 319);

H. Con. Res. 49, disapproving President's Reorganization Plan No. 2, adverse report (S. Rept. 320);

S. J. Res. 135, extending the RFC for 1 year (S. Rept. 321);

S. Res. 132, investigation of RFC by Committee on Banking and Currency (no report—referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration);

S. Res. 129, authorizing the Committee on Appropriations to employ temporary assistance (no report—referred to Committee on Rules and Administration);

S. Res. 130, authorizing Committee on Appropriations to make additional expenditures (no report—referred to Committee on Rules and Administration); and

Four private claims bills: S. 292, H. R. 1742, S. 258, and S. 1100 (S. Repts. 316, 318, 322, and 323, respectively).

H. R. 1375, relative to clothing allowance for Marine Corps enlisted men (S. Rept. 324);

H. R. 2248, to grant an easement to Louisiana Power & Light Co. (S. Rept. 325);

H. R. 1358, to amend the Act providing for operation of naval plantations (S. Rept. 326);

H. R. 1845, relating to military leave for Federal and D. C. employees (S. Rept. 327);

H. R. 2276, authorizing \$75,000 for Army participation in Olympic games and \$50,000 for Navy (S. Rept. 328);

H. R. 3629, to authorize transfer of certain surplus property to Panama Canal (S. Rept. 329);

H. R. 3124, to authorize attendance of Marine Band at GAR Encampment (S. Rept. 330);

Three private relief bills: S. 179, 880, and 957 (S. Repts. 331, 332, 333).

Two land patent bills: S. 402 and 608 (S. Repts. 334, 335).

S. 1361, to amend USHA to permit capital grants for low-rent housing and slum clearance (S. Rept. 336).

S. 203, to increase the equipment allowance of rural mail carriers (S. Rept. 337). Pages 7350, 7463

Bills Referred: The following House-passed bills were referred to the committees indicated: H. R. 966 and 1389 (Committee on Civil Service); H. R. 2298 (Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce); and H. R. 3444 (Committee on Finance). (For passage in House, see Digest, pp. D286 and D291.) Pages 7351, 7463

D. C. Taxes: The D. C. tax bill, H. R. 3737, increasing property tax, broadening the income tax base, and providing other changes in the local tax laws, was passed by voice vote after adoption of committee amendments. A conference was asked of the House and the following conferees appointed: Senators Cain, Flanders, and McGrath. Pages 7357-7361

Teachers' Pay: The D. C. teachers' pay bill, H. R. 3611, was passed by voice vote after adoption of clarifying amendments by Senator Cain, and rejection of an amendment by Senator Johnston of South Carolina to give certain benefits to 196 teachers who lacked master's

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degree. A conference was asked of the House and the following conferees appointed: Senators Cain, Flanders, and McGrath. Pages 7352-7357

Labor Veto: Presidential veto of H. R. 3020, labor bill, was debated. A motion offered at 6:45 p. m. by Senator McGrath to recess to noon June 21 was defeated by 16 yeas to 52 nays. Agreed by unanimous consent to vote at 3 p. m. June 23 on passage of bill, the objections of the President to the contrary notwithstanding. Earlier, by a vote of 50 yeas to 14 nays the motion of Senator Taft had been adopted to table the motion of Senator Pepper to postpone further consideration of the veto until 2 p. m. June 23. Pages 7361-7460, 7463-7464

Reports on Committee Meetings

FEDERAL CROP INSURANCE

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Gus F. Geissler, Manager, Federal Crop Insurance Corporation, testified in support of S. 1326, to amend generally the Federal Crop Insurance Act.

URGENT DEFICIENCY

Committee on Appropriations: Reported H. R. 3791, second urgent deficiency appropriation bill, proposing a total appropriation of \$72,236,257. This amount is \$1,380,000 over the House-passed figure of \$70,856,257, and exceeds the estimates by \$10,457,500.

STATE, JUSTICE, COMMERCE APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on H. R. 3311, State, Justice, Commerce appropriations bill, completed "marking up" the bill.

NAVY APPROPRIATION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on H. R. 3493, Navy Department appropriation bill, completed "marking up" the bill.

AGRICULTURE APPROPRIATION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on H. R. 3601, Agriculture Department appropriation bill, continued hearings with testimony from Senator Fulbright; Representative Lemke; Oscar Mayer, of Chicago; and Edward A. O'Neal, American Farm Bureau Federation.

RFC EXTENSION AND INVESTIGATION

Committee on Banking and Currency: In executive session S. J. Res. 135, providing for extension of RFC for 1 year, until June 30, 1948, was reported after the committee, by a vote of 7 to 6, rejected an amendment by Senator Robertson of Virginia to extend the RFC for 2 years.

S. Res. 132, authorizing a complete inquiry by committee into operations of RFC and its subsidiaries, at a cost not to exceed \$50,000, was also reported. Findings

of investigation would be reported to the Senate not later than March 1, 1948.

A vote on June 26 on Reorganization Plan No. 3, relative to housing, was announced, and Chairman Eccles, Federal Reserve Board, will discuss Regulation W on June 25.

ST. LAWRENCE WATERWAY

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on S. J. Res. 111, St. Lawrence Waterway, heard additional opposition testimony from Julius H. Parmelee, vice president, Assn. of American Railroads.

FCC AMENDMENTS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee on S. 1333, FCC amendments, continued hearings and heard testimony from the following: Harry Bannister, WWJ, Detroit; Marshall Pengra, KRNR, Roseburg, Oreg.; Frank Stanton, CBS president; Joseph Ream, CBS general counsel; Edgar Kobak, Mutual president; and Niles Trammell, NBC president.

ANTIDISCRIMINATION

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee heard the following witnesses in support of S. 984, to prohibit discrimination in employment because of race, religion, or color: Adolph Held, and Irving Salert, Jewish labor committee of N. Y.; E. Pauline Myers, Elks Dept. of Civil Liberties, Philadelphia; Sylvia Wubnig, League of Women Shoppers, N. Y.; Paul Williams, Southern Regional Council, Richmond; Col. Charles Schottland, Jewish War Veterans, N. Y.; and Mrs. Elizabeth Sasuly, Washington. This ends the hearings subject to the call of the Chair.

FT. SUMNER IRRIGATION PROJECT

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee heard Senator Hatch; Bureau of Reclamation Commissioner Straus; and Wesley Nelson, regional director, Bureau of Reclamation, testify in support of S. 921, Ft. Sumner irrigation project. Hearings continue tomorrow.

NATURAL RESOURCES

Committee on Public Lands: Natural Resources Economic Subcommittee heard Dr. Carl Anderson, International Resources Division of the State Department, discuss the functions of his division with respect to its responsibility in the minerals field, its relationship with the Bureau of Mines, and the sources of information on minerals received by the State Department. Hearings continue on June 25.

BRIDGE BILLS

Committee on Public Works: Studied three bridge bills: S. 569 and S. 570, in Oregon, and S. 919, in No. Dakota. Senator Young testified in favor of S. 919. E. M. Chandler, Washington-Oregon Bridge Commission, appeared in favor of S. 569 and 570. Col. Jewett, War Department, opposed all three.

SMALL BUSINESS—STEEL

Special Committee to Study Problems of American Small Business: Commissioner Ewan Clagg, Bureau of Labor Statistics, accompanied by Jerome Cornfield and Marvin Hoffenberg, discussed steel production and the current needs therefor. Tom J. Smith, Jr., Pressed Steel Institute, of Cleveland, reported on supplies of steel for the pressed-steel industry.

H. R. 3051, amending the Vinson-Trammell Act of 1934 relating to profit limitations on Army and Navy contracts for construction of vessels and aircraft (H. Rept. 619);

H. R. 3888, providing increased subsistence allowances to veterans, with dependents, pursuing certain courses under the GI bill (H. Rept. 620);

H. J. Res. 221, providing permanent postage rates on first-class mail matter (H. Rept. 621);

H. R. 3494, integrating certain personnel of former Bureau of Marine Inspection and Navigation and the Bureau of Customs into the Regular Coast Guard (H. Rept. 622);

H. R. 3471, to authorize leasing of properties of the War and Navy Departments (H. Rept. 623);

H. R. 3861, allowing successor railroad corporations the benefits of certain of their predecessor's carry-overs as presently provided by the Internal Revenue Code (H. Rept. 624);

H. R. 3682, extending period to provide assistance for certain war-incurred school enrollments (H. Rept. 625);

H. R. 3916, to amend RFC act, as amended, and to extent succession and certain lending powers and functions of RFC (H. Rept. 626);

S. 751, day child-care centers (H. Rept. 627);

H. R. 2173, undertakers regulations bill (H. Rept. 628);

H. R. 3131, D. C. rent-control bill (H. Rept. 629);

H. R. 3433, Fire Department 2-platoon system (H. Rept. 630);

H. R. 3744, B. & O. railroad siding (H. Rept. 631); and

H. R. 3864, amending D. C. Unemployment Compensation Act (H. Rept. 632).

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Prisoners of War: Passed H. R. 3444, amending the Internal Revenue Code, to provide exemption from Federal income tax for members of the armed forces or other employees, Federal and private, who were taken prisoners of war while serving in a United States possession, but confined outside the possession.

Pages 7484-7485

Labor-Management Bill: By a vote of 331 yeas to 83 nays the House overrode the Presidential veto of H. R. 3020, the labor-management relations bill. The question was put after the membership listened to the reading of the President's message which accompanied the return of the said bill without his approval.

Pages 7485-7489

Foreign Information Exchange: Resumed consideration of H. R. 3342, Federal information and exchange program with foreign countries, and completed reading all but the last section of the bill for amendment. The bill was ordered printed in its revised form, with the committee and floor amendments, to be voted on Tuesday, June 24.

Pages 7499-7520

Reports on Committee Meetings

FARM LABOR—POTATOES

Committee on Agriculture: Continued hearings on H. R. 3367, farm labor supply program, and heard Representative Anderson of California; Robert C. Goodwin, Director, United States Employment Service; Willis Tobler, American Farm Bureau Federation; Fred Bailey, legislative representative for the National Grange; Clark Foreman, president, Southern Conference for Human Welfare; Walter J. Mason, national legislative representative, A. F. of L.; and Representative Phillips.

Andresen subcommittee continued hearings on H. Res. 166, potato surplus investigation, and heard Philip Talbot, Grain Branch, Department of Agriculture; Dr. R. E. Hodgson, Division of Research, Bureau of Animal Industry, Department of Agriculture; A. E. Mercker, Acting Chief, Fruit and Vegetable Branch, Department of Agriculture; Kris Bemus, secretary of potato division, United Fresh Fruit & Vegetable Association; and W. R. Browne, consulting engineer, Tampa, Fla.

MILITARY

Committee on Armed Services: Met in open session to consider H. R. 3830, Army-Navy promotion bill; H. R. 1938, appropriation of funds for International Children's Organization; and H. R. 3471, Army-Navy lease bill. All three measures were ordered favorably reported to the House.

RECONSTRUCTION FINANCE CORPORATION

Committee on Banking and Currency: Met in executive session on extension of RFC, and committee ordered, H. R. 3916, a clean bill, favorably reported to the House in lieu of H. R. 3898. This bill extends RFC until June 30, 1949, but curtails its borrowing power to \$2,000,000,000.

D. C. ACTIONS

Committee on the District of Columbia: Met to consider bills reported from subcommittees and ordered favorably reported to House H. R. 3131, D. C. rent control bill; H. R. 3864, amends D. C. Unemployment Compensation Act; H. R. 3744, railroad siding (B. & O.); H. R. 3433, 2 platoon system for D. C. Fire Department; S. 751, nursery school extension; and H. R. 2173, regulates undertakers and embalmers, with amendment.

NATIONAL SECURITY ACT OF 1947—FEDERAL LOBBYING

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Continued hearings on H. R. 2319, National Security Act of 1947, and heard further testimony of Admiral Ellis M. Zacharias. Hearings will continue on next Tuesday.

Subcommittee on Publicity and Propaganda held hearings on allegations that the War Department has carried on propaganda campaigns in connection with pending legislation, and heard Dr. Ralph McDonald, executive secretary, Department of Higher Education of the National Education Association, Washington, D. C.; and Howard C. Petersen, Assistant Secretary of War.

FOREIGN AFFAIRS

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Full committee met in executive session.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Fifteen public bills, H. R. 3916-3930; three private bills, H. R. 3931-3933; and two resolutions, H. Res. 251 and H. J. Res. 221, were introduced.

Pages 7522-7523

Bills Reported: Bills and resolutions were reported as follows:

Minority Report, Part II, on H. R. 1639 (H. Rept. 613), amending Employers' Liability Act so as to limit venue in actions brought in U. S. district courts or in State courts under such act.

H. R. 1821, providing for collection and publication of statistical information by the Bureau of the Census (H. Rept. 618);

Subcommittee No. 4, State Department Organization and Personnel, met in executive session on draft of a proposed bill to reincorporate the Institute of Inter-American Affairs, and heard Col. H. R. Harris, president, Institute of Inter-American Affairs; and Hon. Spruille Braden, Assistant Secretary of State.

RAILROAD UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Howell subcommittee continued public hearings on H. R. 3150, railroad unemployment insurance, and heard Lester P. Schoene, general counsel, Railway Labor Executives Association, Washington, D. C., who testified in opposition to the bill. Hearings continue tomorrow.

Hinshaw subcommittee met in executive session on enemy property legislation.

Full committee met in executive session to consider program for work before the committee.

DISPLACED PERSONS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Immigration and Naturalization continued hearings on H. R. 2910, to provide for the admission into the United States of certain displaced persons in Germany, Austria, and Italy, and heard Hon. Ugo Caruso, Commissioner of Immigration and Naturalization Service, Department of Justice; and Rabbi Philip Bernstein, adviser on Jewish affairs to Gen. Lucius Clay, United States Army of Occupation.

MARITIME COMMISSION

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Full committee met in executive session on H. R. 3911, to continue the temporary authority of the Maritime Commission to operate vessels until March 1, 1948. The bill was ordered favorably reported to the House.

Subcommittee on Conservation of Wildlife Resources held hearings on Parker River Wildlife Refuge bills, and heard Willis Tobler, William P. Wharton, C. Russell Mason, Robert Livermore, Jr., Joseph Kenefick, William O. Sweet, Isabel Hoops, Mrs. F. R. Kitchell, and Charles Ingraham, all from Massachusetts.

CIVIL SERVICE RETIREMENT—POSTAL RATES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: H. R. 3872, amending Civil Service Retirement Act, was ordered favorably reported with amendments. This bill superseded H. R. 3232, and embodies several liberalized features. The tontine charge will be discontinued by this bill. An amendment was adopted whereby legislative employees who have not elected to enroll in the retirement system will be permitted to make such election

prior to July 1, 1948. Under the present law, they have to elect within 6 months from date of employment.

H. J. Res. 221, to provide for permanent postal rates on first-class mail matter, was also ordered reported.

INDIANS

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Indian Affairs continued hearings on various Indian bills, and heard William Zimmerman, Acting Commissioner, Office of Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior; and Representative Case. Subcommittee ordered H. R. 1113, to provide for removal of restrictions on Indian property, favorably reported to the full committee, with amendments.

HYDROELECTRIC POWER

Committee on Public Works: Continued hearings on H. R. 3036, transfer from the Interior Department to the War Department of facilities for transmitting electric power from reservoir projects under War Department control, and heard Douglas G. Wright, Southwestern Power Administrator; and Clyde Ellis, National Rural Electric Cooperative Association.

HOSPITALS

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Subcommittee on Hospitals met in executive session, accepted report of special committee which inspected Schick General Hospital, Clinton, Iowa, and referred the report to the full committee for action.

TAX REVISION—TARIFF—SOCIAL SECURITY

Committee on Ways and Means: Continued hearings on general tax revision and heard Senator McClellan; William A. Sutherland, chairman, tax section, American Bar Association, Washington, D. C.; and Charles S. Lowrimore, Wilmington, N. C., all of whom testified on the problems of taxation of community property; Heide Trask, Wilmington, N. C., and H. William Callmann, law offices of Gustave Simons, New York, N. Y., both of whom discussed the problems of taxation of family partnerships. Hearings will continue next Thursday.

Met in executive session and ordered favorably reported to the House the following: S. 1072, to extend period during which income from agricultural labor and nursing services may be disregarded by States in making old-age assistance payments; H. R. 3810, to amend section 522 of the Tariff Act to clarify procedure in ascertaining value of foreign currency for custom purposes; and H. R. 3920, which supersedes H. R. 3704, to exclude vendors of newspapers from certain provisions of the Social Security Act.

Monday, June 23, 1947

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate overrode President's labor veto and passed 51 bills.

House passed 6 D. C. bills and measure fixing permanent postage rates on first-class mail.

Navy appropriations and emergency powers bills approved by Senate groups.

Hearings on terminal-leave bonds set for June 26 by House subcommittee.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 7539-7542.

Bills Introduced: Seven bills were introduced, as follows: S. 1491-S. 1496. Page 7540

Bills Reported: Bills and resolutions were reported, as follows:

H. R. 3493, Navy Department appropriation bill (S. Rept. 338);

S. J. Res. 123, in the interpretation of various emergency laws and proclamations, they "shall be construed as terminated and peace established" (S. Rept. 339);

S. 1461, to extend temporarily certain emergency powers of the President under title III of the 2d War Powers Act, relative to priorities and allocations (S. Rept. 340); and

Two private claims bills: H. R. 1585 and 1956 (S. Repts. 341 and 342, respectively). Page 7539

Labor Veto: By a vote of 68 yeas to 25 nays, H. R. 3020, labor bill, was passed over the President's veto, and thus enacted into law. Senator Wherry then moved to reconsider that vote, which, on motion of Senator Taft, was laid on the table by voice vote, preventing reconsideration. Pages 7523-7539

Deficiency Appropriation: Second urgent deficiency appropriation bill, H. R. 3791, proposing a total appropriation of \$72,236,257 was passed after committee amendments had been adopted. A conference was asked of the House and the following conferees appointed: Senators Bridges, Brooks, Gurney, Ball, McKellar, Hayden, and Tydings. (For additional information on this bill, see Digest p. D289.) Pages 7543-7544

Bills Passed: On call of the Calendar, 50 bills were passed as follows:

Pistols: H. R. 493, to regulate the sale and possession of pistols in D. C.;

Commerce: S. 1421, to provide for the appointment of one additional Assistant Secretary of Commerce;

Game Refuge: S. 616, creating a game refuge in South Carolina;

Fish: S. 682, to regulate the interstate transportation of black bass;

Easement: H. R. 2654, to authorize the Secretary of the Treasury to grant an easement to Baltimore, Md.;

Graveyard: H. R. 577, to preserve historic graveyards in abandoned military posts;

Easement: H. R. 2655, to grant an easement to Baltimore, Md., for two subterranean water mains;

Helium: H. R. 3372, authorizing certain agreements with respect to helium-bearing gas lands;

Building: S. 1231, authorizing Public Building Commissioner to receive bids for purchase of Fidelity Building at Kansas City;

Bankruptcy: H. R. 3769, to amend the Bankruptcy Act with respect to part-time referees;

Supply Officers: H. R. 1371, to authorize the appointment of supply officers in the Marine Corps;

Selective Service: H. J. Res. 167, to recognize uncompensated services rendered under Selective Service;

Dependents: H. R. 1376, relating to transportation of dependents and household effects of servicemen;

Navy Service: H. R. 1362, to count temporary appointments for promotion in Navy service;

Rosendahl: H. J. Res. 92, presentation of DFC to Admiral Rosendahl;

Geiger: H. J. Res. 96, posthumous issuance of Marine Corps General commission to Roy S. Geiger;

Mail Clerks: H. R. 2339, to repeal law providing additional compensation for Army mail clerks;

Immigration: S. 490, extension of Classification Act to certain employees of Immigration and Naturalization Service;

Courts: S. 175, to provide quarters for United States district court in southern Georgia;

RFC: S. J. Res. 135, to extend the RFC for 1 year;

Olympic Games: H. R. 2276, to authorize certain expenses for Army and Navy participation in Olympic games;

Naval Plantation: H. R. 1358, to amend the act governing the operation of naval plantations;

Military Leave: H. R. 1845, relating to military leave of Federal and D. C. employees;

Clothing Allowance: H. R. 1375, to provide a clothing allowance for Marine Corps enlisted men;

Surplus Property: H. R. 3629, to authorize transfer of certain surplus property to Panama Canal;

Easement: H. R. 2248, to grant an easement to Louisiana Power & Light Co.;

GAR: H. R. 3124, authorizing attendance of Marine Band at GAR National Encampment;

Housing: S. 1361, to amend USHA to permit capital grants for low-rent housing and slum clearance;

Mail Carriers: S. 203, to increase the equipment maintenance of rural mail carriers;

Land Patents: S. 402, 608, H. R. 2411, granting land patents;

Claims: H. R. 1067, 1144, 1318, 407, 2915, 381, 617, 1514, 1742, 1807, S. 179, 880, 957, 1100, 258, 292, 305, and 706;

The following 23 bills and resolutions were passed without amendment and cleared for the President: H. R. 3124, 2248, 3929, 1845, 1067, 1144, 2339, 1807, 1376, 1318, 407, 2915, 381, 617, 2655, 2411, 577, 2654, 1514, 1362, H. J. Res. 92, 96, and 167. Pages 7544-7554, 7559

Presidential Succession: Agreed by unanimous consent to vote on S. 564, Presidential succession bill and all amendments and motions thereto at 2 p. m., June 27.

Pages 7544, 7546-7547, 7561

Mining Claims: Senate agreed to conference with the House on H. R. 2369, suspension of work on certain Alaskan mining claims, and appointed as conferees Senators Butler, Cordon, and Hatch. Page 7560

Maritime: Nine Conventions and four recommendations (Executives R, S, T, U, V, W, X, Y, Z, AA, BB, CC, and DD), formulated at the 28th (maritime) session of the International Labor Conference, together with a report of the Secretary of State thereon, were received and referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations. Pages 7542-7543

Confirmations: The following nominations were confirmed: Jed Johnson, to be judge of the United States Customs Court; and Otto Schoen, to be marshal for the eastern district of Missouri. Page 7561

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NAVY APPROPRIATION

Committee on Appropriations: The Navy Department appropriations bill for 1948, H. R. 3493, was reported proposing \$3,312,044,300, an increase of \$176,563,200 over the House-approved figure of \$3,135,481,100. This is \$1,020,737,651 under the 1947 appropriations, which totaled \$4,332,781,951 and \$200,956,000 under the 1948 estimates.

EMERGENCY POWERS, JUDICIAL DISTRICT, AND PRIVATE BILLS

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee approved the following 20 bills and 1 nomination:

S. J. Res. 123, in the interpretation of various emergency laws and proclamations, they "shall be construed as terminated and peace established," with amendments; and H. R. 325, transfer of Blair County, Pa., from the middle to the western judicial district;

Three private immigration bills—S. 518, H. R. 3398, and S. 489; and 15 private claims bills—S. 409, 558, 471, 188, 781, 511, 298, 187, 186, 190, 189, 83, H. R. 1956, 1866, and 1585.

Committee also reported favorably the nomination of Francisco Corneiro, to be district attorney for the district court of the Virgin Islands.

CENTRAL ARIZONA PROJECT

Committee on Public Lands: Irrigation and Reclamation Subcommittee heard the following officials of the Bureau of Reclamation testify in support of S. 1175, to construct and operate a dam at Bridge Canyon, Central Arizona project: William E. Warren, E. A. Moritz, and Vaud O. Larson. Hearings continue tomorrow.

FCC AMENDMENTS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee continued hearings on S. 1333, FCC amendments, with testimony from Niles Trammell, NBC president, and Don Elias, WWNC, Asheville, N. C.

OIL AGREEMENTS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Heard the following witnesses on Anglo-American oil agreements (Executive H, 79th): P. C. Spencer, Sinclair Oil Co.; Elmer Patman, Superior Oil Co.; and H. J. Porter, Texas Independent Producers & Royalty Owners Association.

AGRICULTURE APPROPRIATION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on H. R. 3601, Agriculture Department appropriation bill, continued hearings with testimony from G. M. Tunison, Omaha; G. H. Williams, Corn States Serum Co.; Dr. H. J. Shore, Fort Dodge Laboratories; and representatives of PMA. Hearings continue tomorrow.

Committee on Appropriations: June 21, Subcommittee on H. R. 3601, Agriculture Department appropriation bill, continued hearings with testimony from the following: Representatives Mundt and Cooley; John H. Davis, National Council of Farmer Cooperatives; J. T. Sanders, National Grange; Sam Baldock, Oregon State Highway Engineer; Carl Loos, on citrus-foreign agricultural relations; and H. C. Dunlap, on dried fruits.

RAILROAD UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee heard the following proponents of S. 670, to amend the Railroad Unemployment Insurance Act

by striking out provision for maternity and sickness benefits, and by specifying percent of employers' contribution to railroad unemployment insurance account: Senator Hawkes, in support of his bill; Dewey Dorsett, National Association of Casualty Surety Executives, New York; Ed D. Brown, actuary; Col. Ed D. Schmuck, National Association of Life Underwriters, New York; Robert Hogg, American Life Convention, Chicago; J. M. Souby, Association of American Railroads; and Seward Jacobi, New Jersey State Chamber of Commerce. Hearings continue tomorrow.

COAL MINE SAFETY REGULATIONS

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee heard opposing testimony to S. 100, to prescribe health and safety

regulations for coal mines, and S. J. Res. 130, to establish code for health and safety in bituminous coal and lignite mines, from James W. Haley, National Coal Assn.; J. A. Bartlett, Island Creek Coal Co.; and R. L. Ireland, Jr., Ohio Coal Assn. Committee meets again tonight at 7 p. m. to hear additional opponents, on which a report will be carried tomorrow.

IRRIGATION PROJECT, TERRITORIES

Committee on Public Lands: June 21, Subcommittee completed hearings on S. 921, Ft. Sumner irrigation project.

Another subcommittee held hearings on S. 1184, amend Puerto Rican Organic Act; and S. 1419 and 1420, to permit the Territory of Hawaii to issue certain bonds.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Three public bills, H. R. 3934-3936; two private bills, H. R. 3937 and H. R. 3938; and one resolution, H. Res. 252, were introduced. Pages 7566, 7578-7579

Bills Reported: Bills and resolutions were reported as follows:

H. Res. 252, rule granting 2 hours general debate on, and waiving all points of order against, H. R. 3916, RFC extension bill (H. Rept. 639); and

H. R. 3830, providing for promotion and elimination of officers of the Army, Navy, and Marine Corps (H. Rept. 640).

Also reported, considered, and agreed to the following resolutions from the Committee on House Administration:

H. Con. Res. 40 (H. Rept. 633), authorizing the printing of 25,000 additional copies of House Report 209, 80th Cong., entitled "The Communist Party of the United States as an Agent of a Foreign Power."

H. Con. Res. 39 (H. Rept. 634), authorizing the printing of 2,000 additional copies of the hearing held before the Committee on Un-American Activities on February 6, 1947.

H. Res. 186 (H. Rept. 635), authorizing the printing of 1,000 additional copies of hearing held before the Committee on Ways and Means during this session, relating to reciprocal trade agreements.

H. Res. 241 (H. Rept. 636), authorizing the printing as a House document, the "History of the Committee on the Judiciary," prepared by Hon. Louise E. Graham.

H. Con. Res. 35 (H. Rept. 637), authorizing the printing of 1,500 additional copies of House Report 541, 79th Cong., entitled "The Postwar Foreign Economic Policy of the United States"; 1,500 additional copies of House

Report 1205, 79th Cong., entitled "Economic Reconstruction in Europe"; and 1,500 additional copies of House Report 2729, 79th Cong., entitled "Final Report on Reconstruction Experience and Current Economic Problems."

S. J. Res. 113 (H. Rept. 638), authorizing erection in District of Columbia of a memorial to Marine Corps dead of all wars. Page 7578

Maritime Employment: Heard message from the President containing texts of nine conventions and four recommendations with respect to maritime employment, which were adopted at the 28th (maritime) session of the International Labor Conference, Seattle, Wash., which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs. Page 7567

Postage Rates: Agreed to H. J. Res. 221, providing for permanent postage rates on first-class mail matter. Pages 7575-7578

Railroad Carry-overs: Passed H. R. 3861, allowing successor railroad corporations the benefits of certain of their predecessor's carry-overs as presently provided by the Internal Revenue Code. Pages 7567-7571

District of Columbia

Nursery Schools: Passed, as amended, S. 751, continuing system of day-care nursery schools for D. C. children. Pages 7571-7572

Funeral Directors: Passed, as amended, H. R. 2173, amending D. C. Code, to provide for regulation of business of funeral directors and embalmers. Pages 7572-7574

Fire Department: Passed H. R. 3433, amending D. C. Code, to provide for two-platoon system in fire department. Page 7574

Rent Control: Passed, as amended, H. R. 3131, extending for 1 year the provisions of the D. C. Emergency Rent Act. Pages 7574-7575

Unemployment Compensation: Passed H. R. 3864, amending D. C. Unemployment Compensation Act relating to contribution rates and experience-continuity interruption as a result of service with the armed forces. Page 7575

Railroad Siding: Passed H. R. 3744, authorizing the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad to construct a siding in the District of Columbia. Page 7575

Carrier Agreements: The following Senate-passed bill, S. 110, amending the Interstate Commerce Act, relating to agreements between carriers, was referred to the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce. Page 7576

Presidential Signature: Agreed to Senate amendments, thus clearing for the President's signature, the following bills:

H. R. 1628, relinquishing to the State of Illinois interest in certain lands comprising the right-of-way of the Illinois & Michigan Canal.

H. R. 1997, providing benefits to certain members of the D. C. Police and Fire Departments who are veterans of World War II, amended.

H. R. 2545, providing funds for cooperation with the school board of Moclips-Aloha District to construct a school building in Moclips, Wash., for Indian and non-Indian children. Pages 7561, 7563-7564, 7574

D. C. Bills: Disagreed to Senate amendments and agreed to conference asked on H. R. 3737, amending D. C. income-tax law and raising additional revenue; and H. R. 3611, regulating salaries of teachers, school officers, and other employees of the D. C. Board of Education. Representatives Dirksen, Bates of Massachusetts, O'Hara, McMillan of South Carolina, and Smith of Virginia were appointed as House conferees. Page 7563

Mining Claims: Disagreed to Senate amendments and agreed to conference asked on H. R. 2369, providing for suspension of annual assessment work on mining claims held by location in Alaska, and appointed Representatives Welch, Crawford, and Somers as House conferees. Page 7574

Reports on Committee Meetings

MILITARY

Committee on Armed Services: Legal Subcommittee met in executive session for further consideration of H. R. 2575, military justice bill.

Education and Training Subcommittee held hearings on H. R. 3280, ROTC bill, and H. R. 3227, training pay for Organized Reserve Corps, and heard representatives of the Army who testified favorably on the legislation.

Pay and Administration Subcommittee met in executive session and agreed to hold hearings on terminal leave bonds on June 26.

INTER-AMERICAN MILITARY COOPERATION

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Held hearings on H. R. 3836, Inter-American Military Cooperation Act of 1947, and heard Hon. George C. Marshall, Secretary of State; and Hon. Robert P. Patterson, Secretary of War.

FEDERAL POWER

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Met in executive session at 9:30 a. m. to consider H. R. 2956, the Schwabe eminent-domain bill.

Hall subcommittee held public hearings on H. R. 2972 and H. R. 2973, to amend Federal Power Act, and heard Olcott D. Smith, attorney, Day, Berry and Howard, Hartford, Conn.; Dexter D. Coffin, president, C. H. Dexter & Sons, Inc., Windsor Locks, Conn.; Arthur B. Barnes, vice president, Ponemah Mills, Taftville, Conn.; Robert A. Walker, treasurer, The Medicott Co., Windsor Locks, Conn.; William P. Dougherty, general manager, Neptune Twine & Cord Co., Moodus, Conn.; Jarvis Hunt, general counsel, Associated Industries of Massachusetts, Boston, Mass.; and John Collins, Connecticut Public Utilities Commission, Hartford, Conn. All of whom testified in favor of the legislation. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

Full committee continued executive session in the afternoon and ordered favorably reported as amended H. R. 2956, Schwabe eminent-domain bill (natural gas), and also considered H. R. 2185, Rizley bill, to amend Natural Gas Act.

2D WAR POWERS ACT—ENTERTAINMENT COPYRIGHTS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 4 met in executive session on H. R. 3647, to extend certain powers of the President under title III of the Second War Powers Act, and ordered the bill, with amendments, favorably reported to the full committee.

Subcommittee on Patents, Trade-Marks, and Copyrights held hearings on entertainment copyright bills and heard Maurice J. Speiser, counsel, National Association of Performing Artists; and Gene Buck, director of ASCAP.

RADIOTELEGRAPH OPERATORS—SALMON AND OYSTERS

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Subcommittee on Ship Construction and Operation and Maritime Labor held hearings on H. R. 1036, licensing of radiotelegraph operators, and heard Jack Winocur, American Communications Association; Leonard Victor, American Communications Association; Andrew MacDonald, Radio Officers Union, Baltimore, Md.; Capt. Henry Jewell, United States Coast Guard; and Lewis Lande, Maritime Commission.

Subcommittee on Salt Water Fish and Shellfish Problems met in executive session and ordered reported favorably to the full committee H. R. 3767, to provide for the protection, preservation, and extension of the sockeye salmon fishery of the Frazier River system; and H. R. 3505, authorizing an appropriation for investigating and rehabilitating oyster beds damaged or destroyed by the intrusion of fresh water in the vicinity of Lake Mechant and Bayou Severin, Terrebonne Parish, La., and by the opening of the Bonnet Carre Spillway.

PUBLIC LANDS ACTIONS

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Public Lands met on H. R. 1109, to provide for a national cemetery in every State.

Full committee met in executive session and ordered favorably reported to the House the following bills: H. R. 175, giving Governor of Alaska power to pardon; H. R. 187, transportation of Government employees; H. R. 205, citizenship certificates to Metlakatla Indians of Alaska; H. R. 734, Quinaielt Tribe of Indians in action pending in Court of Claims; H. R. 1113, removal of restrictions on Indian property; H. R. 1337, per capita payment to Red Lake Band of Chippewa Indians; H. R. 1554, transferring duties of Road Commissioner of Alaska to the Department of Interior; H. R. 1609, Alaska Legislature, exercise of zoning power; H. R. 2161, synthetic liquid fuel demonstration plants; H. R. 2361, to clarify legal status of lands of Delaware Indians; H. R. 2484, pay jobbers re logging timber of Indian lands; H. R. 2545, school aid to Moclips, Grays Harbor, Wash.; H. R. 2825, school aid to counties in Minnesota; H. R. 2996, school aid to Owyhee, Nev.; H. R. 3153, re disposal submarginal land, Montana; H. R. 3175, adds certain lands to Shasta National Forest; H. R. 3266, improvement bonds, issue by Territory of Hawaii; H. R. 3322, facilitate right-of-way through Osage lands; H. R. 3323, Osage Council, determine value of leases; H. R. 3343, to amend Alaska game laws; H. R. 3376, Territory of Hawaii extends time revenue bonds can be issued; H. R. 3395, adds certain lands to Modoc National Forest, Calif.; H. R. 3614, to establish Brainerd War Dead National Memorial; and H. R. 3679, Territory of Hawaii authorize Honolulu issue sewer bonds. In addition, eight private land bills were ordered reported.

FLOOD CONTROL

Committee on Public Works: Subcommittee on Flood Control began hearings on H. R. 3819, to repeal authorization for Clark Hill Reservoir, Ga. and S. C., and heard Charles A. Collier, representative of Savannah River Electric Co., Atlanta, Ga.; J. S. Hardin, superintendent of schools, Columbia City, Appling, Ga.; J. P. Drinkard, editor and publisher of Lincoln Journal, Lincoln, Ga.; Robert M. Heard, county attorney, Elberton, Ga.; Allen Pannell, clerk, superior court, McDuffie County, Ga.; and William A. Slaton, mayor of Washington, Ga., and attorney for Rural Electric Membership Corp., Rayle City.

RECONSTRUCTION FINANCE CORPORATION

Committee on Rules: Heard Chairman Wolcott, Representatives Spence and Brown, of the Committee on Banking and Currency, who favored a rule providing consideration of H. R. 3916, a bill to amend the Reconstruction Finance Corporation Act, as amended, and to extend the succession and certain lending powers and functions of the Reconstruction Finance Corporation, and for other purposes. A resolution waiving points of order and providing 2 hours of general debate was ordered reported.

SUGAR

Committee on Agriculture: June 21, met on H. R. 3368, to extend for an additional year the provisions of the Sugar Act, and the taxes with respect to sugar, and heard Secretary of Agriculture Clinton P. Anderson, and Frank A. Kemp, chairman of the executive committee of the American Sugar Beet Policy Committee, both of whom spoke in favor of the legislation, and Pedro Nido, vice president, Puerto Rican Farm Bureau, who spoke in opposition to the legislation.

PETROLEUM

Committee on Armed Services: June 21, Subcommittee No. 3 met for consideration of the existing petroleum situation, particularly with respect to the shipment of oil overseas, and heard representatives of the Office of International Trade; following which the subcommittee went into executive session.

RAILROAD UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: June 21, Howell subcommittee conducted an open hearing on H. R. 3150, Railroad Unemployment Insurance Act, and heard Lester P. Schoene, general counsel, Railway Labor Executives Association, Washington, D. C.; Harry See, national legislative representative, Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen, Washington, D. C.; David B. Schreiber, Assistant General Counsel, Railroad Retirement Board, Chicago, Ill.; and Walter Matscheck, Director of Research, Railroad Retirement Board, Chicago, Ill.; all of whom spoke in opposition to the bill. This meeting concluded the public hearings.

REPORT ON JOINT COMMITTEE MEETINGS PAPER BIDS, DOCUMENT CATALOGUE, AND FIELD SURVEY

Joint Committee on Printing: Committee awarded contracts for 39 lots of paper covering a 3-month term beginning July 1, at a cost of \$1,077,149. The new schedule represents a decrease from previous prices of approximately five-tenths percent.

Awards were also made for a 6-month period starting July 1 on 16 lots of envelopes, at a cost of \$33,920. This new schedule represents a decrease from previous prices of approximately 11.34 percent. Action to reconsider the discontinuance of the Biennial Document Catalogue was stayed for further investigation.

Report on field printing and duplicating plant survey was received by the committee, and consideration of a proposed program of action, based on the report's recommendations, was ordered continued until a thorough study has been made of the report.

BILLS SIGNED BY THE PRESIDENT (New Laws)

(For last listing of Public Laws, see p. D277)

S. 321, amending the Pay Readjustment Act of 1942, so as to increase the pay of cadets and midshipmen at the service academies. Signed June 20, 1947 (P. L. 96);

S. 26, making criminally liable prisoner custodians wherein escapes are the result of their negligence. Signed June 21, 1947 (P. L. 97);

S. 125, to extend to Senate Reporters of Debates the benefits of Civil Service Retirement Act. Signed June 21, 1947 (P. L. 98);

H. R. 1412, to grant American Legion Post, No. 38, in Belzoni, Miss., reversionary interest in certain lands. Signed June 21, 1947 (P. L. 99); and

H. R. 1874, to amend Federal-Aid Highway Act of 1944 to make funds available for 2-year periods. Signed June 21, 1947 (P. L. 100).

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HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed Navy appropriations and emergency powers bills. House passed RFC extension and "Voice of America" bills.

Bills on State, Justice, Commerce appropriations, armed services, D. C., and postmaster nominations approved by Senate groups.

Bills on armed services, Presidential powers, evacuation claims, reclamation, and rural post roads ordered reported by House committees.

Hearings opened by Joint Committee on the Economic Report.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 7579-7581.

Bills Introduced: One bill was introduced, as follows: S. 1497. Page 7580

Bills Reported: Bills were reported as follows:

H. R. 3311, State, Justice, Commerce appropriations (S. Rept. 343);

S. 164, to establish a Commission on Organization of the Executive Branch (S. Rept. 344);

S. 489, to preserve the nationality of naturalized veterans and their dependents (S. Rept. 350);

S. 518, to preserve the nationality of citizens who are unable to return to the United States prior to October 14, 1946 (S. Rept. 352);

H. R. 3398, to extend the period to facilitate admission of alien fiancées of members of the armed forces (S. Rept. 354); and

Seven private claims bills: S. 186, 187, 189, 298, H. R. 1866, S. 190, and 558 (S. Repts. 345, 346, 347, 349, 353, 348, and 351, respectively). Page 7580

Bills Referred: The following House-passed bills were referred to the committees indicated: H. R. 2173, 3131, 3433, 3744, and 3864 (Committee on the District

of Columbia); H. R. 3861 (Committee on Finance); and H. J. Res. 221 (Committee on Civil Service). (For passage in House, see Digest p. D295 and D296.) Page 7581

Emergency Powers: S. J. Res. 123, declaring in the interpretation of various emergency laws and proclamations that they shall be construed as terminated and peace established, was passed by voice vote after adopting a committee amendment. Pages 7581-7585

Navy Appropriation: H. R. 3493, Navy Department appropriation bill, carrying a total appropriation of \$3,312,044,300 was passed after adopting committee amendments. A conference was asked of the House and the following conferees appointed: Senators Saltonstall, Bridges, Brooks, Robertson (Wyo.), Tydings, Overton, and Green. (For additional details on this bill, see p. D294.) Pages 7585-7592

Confirmation: Nomination of Edwin C. Wilson, to be Chief of the American Mission for Aid to Turkey, was confirmed. Pages 7595-7596, 7605

Narcotic Treaty: Protocol amending the agreements on narcotic drugs (Executive N) was ratified. Pages 7592-7595

ILO Convention: Final Articles Revision Convention, adopted at 29th session of International Labor Conference, was received and referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations. Page 7592

Nominations: The following nominations were received: Alton A. Lessard, to be United States attorney in Maine; William J. Storen, Abe D. Waldauer, Harry M. Brennan, to be collectors of customs at Charleston (S. C.), Memphis, and Louisville, respectively; and Rear Admiral Albert G. Noble, to be Chief of the Bureau of Ordnance. Page 7605

Reports on Committee Meetings

FERTILIZER

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Committee heard the following witnesses speak in support of S. 1251, to establish a national soil fertility policy and program: Benton J. Stong and Russell Smith, National Farmers Union; and Russ Nixon, United Electrical, Radio, and Machine Workers of America (CIO). Hearings to be continued.

STATE, JUSTICE, COMMERCE APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: H. R. 3311, State, Justice, Commerce appropriations bill for 1948, was reported, proposing funds totaling \$551,343,932. This is an increase of \$12,367,444 over the House-approved figure of \$538,976,492. Funds for the State Dept. total \$234,324,703; Justice Dept., \$107,438,230; Commerce Dept., \$192,332,834; and the Judiciary, \$17,248,165. The bill as reported exceeds the appropriations for 1947 by \$42,569,066, but is under the estimates for 1948 by \$147,444,656.

AGRICULTURE APPROPRIATION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on H. R. 3601, Agriculture Department appropriation bill, continued hearings with testimony from the following: Shirley W. Allen, Society of American Foresters; Paul W. Schoen, Forest Farmers Assn.; Fred Gottschalk, American Lumber & Treating Co.; Anthony W. Smith, forestry representative of CIO; and officials of the Department of Agriculture on the school lunch program.

INDEPENDENT OFFICES

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on H. R. 3839, Independent Offices appropriation bill, opened hearings with testimony from Veterans' Administrator General Omar Bradley; Frank A. Waring, Philippine War Damage Commission; and representatives of the Atomic Energy Commission.

GOVERNMENT CORPORATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on H. R. 3756, Government corporations appropriation, opened hearings with testimony from representatives of the following agencies: Panama Railroad, Export-Import

Bank, Virgin Islands Corp., Institute of Inter-American Affairs, War Damage Corporation, and FDIC.

WAR DEPARTMENT APPROPRIATION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on H. R. 3678, War Department appropriation bill, in executive session, opened hearings with testimony from Sec. of War Robert P. Patterson.

ARMED SERVICE BILLS

Committee on Armed Services: In executive session, committee approved H. R. 3251, relating to retirement of certain naval officers; H. R. 3394, to amend the act providing for return of remains of those buried outside the United States, with amendment; H. R. 3484, to transfer the Remount Service; and S. 364, to expedite the disposition of Government surplus airports, with amendments. The following two bills were considered but action on them was held over: H. R. 1366, Army and Navy procurement bill, and S. 1112, to transfer Ft. Douglas, Utah.

POSTMASTERS

Committee on Civil Service: Committee in executive session voted to report favorably 146 postmaster nominations.

S. 1180, to authorize 3-cent stamps in honor of Gold Star Mothers, was also approved.

It was agreed that a subcommittee, consisting of Senators Langer, Williams, and Chavez, would meet on Thursday to hold hearings on H. R. 3511, permitting persons involuntarily separated from U. S. service and having 25 years of service, having attained the age of 55, to receive an annuity. Representative Jones of Washington appeared in support of the bill.

Further action on S. 696, determining eligibility for refund of retirement deductions under Civil Service Retirement Act, was postponed, awaiting action on S. 637, to amend generally the Civil Service Retirement Act.

POSTAL FIELD SERVICE

Committee on Civil Service: Subcommittee on S. 697, payment of overtime compensation to supervisory employees in the postal field service, heard representatives of NFPOC, UNA of POC, National League of District Postmasters, and National Association of Mail Carriers, testify in support of the bill, but recommending that provisions of H. R. 3075 be reflected in S. 697.

D. C. BILLS

Committee on the District of Columbia: The following bills were approved for reporting: H. R. 494, reorganization of D. C. parole system; H. R. 3235, authorizing payments to attorneys and architects in condemnation proceedings; H. R. 3515, athletic bribery bill; S. 1442, survival of court actions; S. 8, D. C. corporation bill; H. R. 3547, funds for D. C. ceremonies; H. R. 2470, creat-

ing a Metropolitan police bank; S. 1462, authorizing collection of fees by municipal court reporters; S. 1402, to authorize D. C. Episcopal Church to establish bylaws governing election of their vestrymen; S. J. Res. 129, 150th anniversary of seat of Federal Government in D. C.; H. R. 1893, sale of bed of E St.; and H. R. 1634, 1633, and S. 612, D. C. insurance bills.

MIGRATORY BIRDS

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Subcommittee to investigate wildlife conservation met on proposed hunting regulations for migratory birds and heard Albert M. Day, Director of Fish and Wildlife Service, and Frederick C. Lincoln, Assistant to the Director, discuss the seriousness of the situation of migratory birds and wildlife generally in the United States and relate the program being followed to bring it to public attention. Hearings to be continued.

SALE OF MAGNESIUM PLANT IN NEVADA

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Surplus Property Subcommittee heard testimony from J. Slaten Jenner, Irving Gumbel, and Robt. E. Hunnicutt, Office of Real Property Disposal of the WAA; and Col. John Riley, general manager, basic magnesium plant at Henderson, Nev., discuss the disposal of the basic magnesium plant at Henderson, Nev., in which the Federal Government has \$140,000,000 investment. (For prior meeting on this problem, see Digest p. D219.) Hearings to be continued.

ITALIAN PROPERTY AND OIL AGREEMENTS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Approved a resolution for the return of Italian property in the United States, and H. J. Res. 193, authorizing the erection of a permanent building for the American Red Cross in D. C.

The nomination of Edwin C. Wilson, to be Chief of the American Mission for Aid to Turkey, was approved, together with that of James Bruce, as Ambassador to Argentina, and sundry other appointments in the Diplomatic and Foreign Service.

Henry Frasier, representing Sinclair Oil Co., continued testimony on Anglo-American oil agreements (Executive H, 79th).

FCC AMENDMENTS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee on S. 1333, FCC amendments, continued hearings and received testimony from the following: Gordon H. O'Riley, Aeronautical Radio, Inc.; F. C. Hooper, radio consultant; Rolf Kaltenborn, Committee to Insure Non-Partisan Radio; Sam Morris, National Temperance and Prohibition Council; Rev. Dale Crowley, National Religious Broadcasters; and Elizabeth Smart, WCTU.

RAILROAD UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee heard opposition testimony to S. 670, to amend the

Railroad Unemployment Insurance Act by striking out provision for maternity and sickness benefits, and by specifying percent of employers' contribution to railroad unemployment insurance account, from David B. Schreiber, Associate General Counsel, Railroad Retirement Board, Chicago; Walter Matscheck, Research Director of Railroad Retirement Board; J. W. Orpin, Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen; and L. P. Schoene, Counsel for Railway Labor Executives Assn. F. C. Squire, a member of the Railroad Retirement Board, testified in support of the bill.

CENTRAL ARIZONA PROJECT

Committee on Public Lands: Vaud O. Larson, Bureau of Reclamation, continued his testimony in support of S. 1175, to construct and operate a dam at Bridge Canyon, Central Arizona project, before the Irrigation and Reclamation Subcommittee. Hearings to be continued.

COAL MINE SAFETY REGULATIONS

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee in a night session on June 23 concluded hearings on S. J. Res. 130, to establish code for health and safety in bituminous coal and lignite mines, after hearing testimony against the bill from R. H. Manley, United Coal Operation Assn.; Gerald Arnold, Phelps-Dodge Corp., Dawson, N. Mex.; Tom Allen, State mines inspector of Colorado; Richard Maize, Pennsylvania Dept. of Mines; John McNeil, Northern Colorado Coal Producers Assn.; Arch Alexander, Dept. of Mines, West Virginia; Walter R. Thurmond, Sr., and Maj. W. P. Tams, Southern Coal Producers Assn.; Harry Kennedy, Sr., Kanawha Coal Operators Assn.; Hugh McLeod, Wyoming State mine inspector; John Lucas, Rock Springs Fuel Co., Wyoming; M. L. Garvey, Pocahontas Operators Assn., Bluefield, W. Va.; and Harry Thomas, Chief of Dept. of Mines, Kentucky. John F. O'Connell, of Chicago, appeared in support of the bill.

HOUSE OFFICE BUILDING AND BRIDGE BILLS

Committee on Public Works: In executive session, committee approved H. R. 3072, authorizing plans and estimates for addition or extension to House Office Building, and H. R. 1610, authorizing Cairo Bridge Commission to issue refunding bonds.

CONSOLIDATION OF APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Rules and Administration: Subcommittee on Rules concluded hearings and agreed to report favorably to the full committee S. Con. Res. 6 (Byrd-Butler resolution), to include all general appropriation bills in one consolidated measure. Testifying before the subcommittee today were Senator Byrd; G. L. Cake, Treasury Department; R. W. Maxwell, Treasury Department; S. M. Brown, GAO; Fred Lawton, Assistant Director of the Budget; and Carl Tiller, Budget Examiner of the Bureau of the Budget. Full committee to meet June 25.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Twenty-three public bills, H. R. 3939-3961; seven private bills, H. R. 3962-3968; and six resolutions, H. Res. 253-256, H. J. Res. 222, and H. Con. Res. 54, were introduced.

Pages 7609, 7640

Bills Reported: Bills were reported as follows:

H. Res. 253, rule providing 4 hours debate on H. R. 3830, to provide for the promotion and elimination of officers of the Army, Navy, and Marine Corps (H. Rept. 641);

H. R. 3855, providing for the appointment of one additional Assistant Secretary of Commerce (H. Rept. 642);

H. R. 669, authorizing Secretary of the Navy to settle all claims against the United States resulting from explosions at Port Chicago, Calif., in July 1944 (H. Rept. 643);

H. R. 1180, authorizing coinage of 50-cent piece commemorating the 100th anniversary of the admission of Wisconsin into the Union (H. Rept. 644);

Conference report on H. R. 3303, a bill to stimulate enlistments into the Regular Military Establishment (H. Rept. 645);

H. R. 3672, creating an Academic Advisory Board for U. S. Merchant Marine Academy (H. Rept. 646);

H. R. 3566, extending authority of the Attorney General to adjust status of certain deportable individuals (H. Rept. 647);

Thirteen private claims bills from the Committee on the Judiciary, as follows: H. R. 629, 642, 1296, 1498, 1502, 1535, 1670, 1726, 2062, 2390, 2507, and 2550, and S. 53 (H. Repts. 648-660, incl.);

Seven bills from the Committee on Public Lands, as follows: S. 394, 395, 396, 397, 399, and H. R. 2885 and 2886 (H. Repts. 661-667, incl.);

H. R. 175 conferring upon the Governor of Alaska the power to pardon and remit fines for offenses against the laws of the Territory of Alaska (H. Rept. 668);

H. R. 187, amending Public Law 304, 77th Cong., authorizing transportation by air for Federal employees and their families between the United States and Alaska (H. Rept. 669);

H. R. 205, amending the act approved May 7, 1934, authorizing granting citizenship to the Metlakatla Indians of Alaska (H. Rept. 670);

H. R. 734, amending the act approved February 12, 1925, relating to the Quinalt Indian Reservation, Wash. (H. Rept. 671);

H. R. 1337, authorizing payment of \$100 to each member of the Red Lake Band of Chippewas from the proceeds of timber sale on Red Lake Reservation (H. Rept. 672);

H. R. 1554, amending the act approved June 30, 1932, relating to the duties of the Alaska Road Commission (H. Rept. 673);

H. R. 1609, authorizing the Legislature of the Territory of Alaska to provide exercise of zoning power in town sites on Federal lands (H. Rept. 674);

H. R. 2161, authorizing the construction and operation of demonstration plants to produce synthetic liquid fuel (H. Rept. 675);

H. R. 2361, clarifying legal status of certain lands described in treaty between United States and the Delaware Indians, dated October 3, 1818 (H. Rept. 676);

H. R. 2484, authorizing payment of certain sums to jobbers for timber logging on the Menominee Reservation during 1934-35 (H. Rept. 677);

H. R. 2996, authorizing appropriation for public high school facilities at Owyhee, Nev. (H. Rept. 678);

H. R. 3153, providing for sale of certain submarginal lands located within the boundaries of Indian reservations in Montana (H. Rept. 679);

H. R. 3175, adding certain public and other lands to the Shasta National Forest, Calif. (H. Rept. 680);

H. R. 3343, amending the Alaska game law to provide compensation to members of the Alaska Game Commission for services when engaged in investigations and hearings (H. Rept. 681);

H. R. 3266, authorizing the issuance of certain public improvement bonds by the Territory of Hawaii (H. Rept. 682);

H. R. 3376, ratifying an act of the Hawaiian Legislature in 1947 session relating to time extension within which revenue bonds may be issued (H. Rept. 683);

H. R. 3679, enabling the Hawaiian Legislature to authorize Honolulu, a municipal corporation, to issue bonds (H. Rept. 684);

S. 723, authorizing the preparation of preliminary plans and estimates for additional Senate Office Building (H. Rept. 685);

S. 980, amending the act defining the area of the United States Capitol Grounds, to regulate the use thereof, relating to functions of the Capitol Police Board (H. Rept. 686);

H. R. 3623, providing that members of the Communist Party shall be ineligible for veterans' benefits (H. Rept. 687); and

H. R. 3647, extending certain powers of the President under title III of the Second War Powers Act (H. Rept. 688).

Pages 7609, 7610-7619, 7638-7639

Presidential Signature: Agreed to Senate amendment, thus clearing for the President's signature the following bills:

H. R. 3791, making appropriations to supply urgent deficiencies in certain appropriations for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1947.

H. R. 3769, to provide that membership in the National Guard shall not disqualify a person from serving as a part-time referee in bankruptcy.

Pages 7607-7608, 7619

Foreign Information Exchange: Passed H. R. 3342, authorizing radio broadcasting to foreign countries and exchange of students and professors with other countries under the administration of the State Department.

Over 30 amendments were adopted on this bill during the nearly 20 hours of debate and committee consideration, having been first called up in the House on June 5.

After rejecting a motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Foreign Affairs, it was sent to the Senate by a vote of 273 yeas to 97 nays.

Pages 7609-7618

RFC Extension: After adopting a special rule (H. Res. 252), the House passed H. R. 3916, extending the RFC for 2 years, eliminating its wartime functions and loans to foreign countries, and reducing borrowing power from \$18 billion to \$2 billion.

A motion to recommit the bill was defeated by a vote of 154 yeas to 192 nays, after which it was passed by a vote of 335 yeas to 4 nays.

Following passage, the House considered S. J. Res. 135, a similar measure, and struck out all language after the enacting clause and substituted the provisions of H. R. 3916, which was ordered to lie on the table, thus paving the way for an immediate conference between the two Houses.

Pages 7619-7635

Bills Referred: The following Senate-passed bills were referred to the committees indicated: S. 175, 179, 258, 292, 305, 706, 880, 957, and 1100 (Committee on the Judiciary); S. 203 and 490 (Committee on Post Office and Civil Service); S. 402 and 608 (Committee on Public Lands); S. 682 (Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce); and S. 1361 (Committee on Banking and Currency). (For passage in Senate, see Digest, pp. D293-D294.)

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Order of Business: Dispensed with Calendar Wednesday business of Wednesday, June 25.

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Reports on Committee Meetings

ARMED SERVICES ACTIONS

Committee on Armed Services: Met and ordered favorably reported to the House the following bills: H. R. 3851, doctors' pay bill, with amendment to include dentists; H. R. 2313, foreign missions, without amendment; H. R. 2744, retirement bill, without amendment; H. R. 3501, to amend Armed Forces Leave Act, without amendment; and H. R. 3127, to provide for loan or gift of obsolete ordnance to State homes, without amendment.

COMMEMORATIVE COIN—CONSUMER CREDIT

Committee on Banking and Currency: Met in executive session and ordered favorably reported H. R. 1180, authorizing the striking of a 50-cent piece to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the State of Wisconsin. Announcement was made that the committee was in tentative agreement upon bills to terminate Regulation W, consumer credit; and to authorize the Federal Reserve Board to spend \$10,000,000 for building program. Committee will hold executive session to take formal action.

NATIONAL SECURITY ACT OF 1947—SURPLUS

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Continued hearings on H. R. 2319, National Security Act of 1947, and heard Dr. Vannevar Bush, president, Carnegie Institution of Washington, who testified in favor of the proposed legislation, particularly relative to sections pertaining to Research and Development Board and Central Intelligence.

Surplus Property Subcommittee held hearings on the disposal by the Maritime Commission of the St. Johns River Shipyard, Jacksonville, Fla., to the Tampa Shipbuilding Co., and heard Wade H. Skinner, general counsel; Paul D. Page, Jr., solicitor; Clarence J. Koontz, attorney; and Howard J. Marsden, Operating Contracts Division, all of the Maritime Commission; and Sidney Kriser, Industrial Plants Corp., New York City. Hearings to be continued.

FEDERAL POWER—TELEGRAM RATES—ODT

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Full committee met in executive session at 9:30 a. m., and S. 816, Western Union rates, was ordered favorably reported; H. R. 3152, extension of ODT, was ordered favorably reported as amended. It was decided to hold over until the next session of Congress legislation on inflammable textiles.

Hall Subcommittee continued public hearings on H. R. 2972 and H. R. 2973, to amend Federal Power Act, and heard Frederick G. Hamley, general solicitor, National Association of Railroad and Utilities Commissioners, Washington, D. C.; John E. Benton, advisory counsel, National Association of Railroad and Utilities Commissioners, Washington, D. C.; Walker Cisler, chief engineer power plants, Detroit Edison Co., Detroit, Mich.; Hon. H. Lester Hooker, chairman, State Corporation Commission of Virginia, Richmond, Va.; Herbert Ferguson, chief counsel, Wisconsin Public Service Corporation, Milwaukee, Wis.; G. W. Steinmetz, chief engineer, Wisconsin Public Service Commission, Milwaukee, Wis.; and C. L. Campbell, president, Connecticut Light & Power Co., Hartford, Conn.

Full committee met in executive session in afternoon to consider H. R. 2185, to amend the Natural Gas Act, but no action was taken.

PRESIDENTIAL POWERS—TORT CLAIMS—EVACUATION CLAIMS

Committee on the Judiciary: Full committee met in executive session and ordered favorably reported the following bills, with amendments: H. R. 3647, to extend certain powers of the President under title III of the Second War Powers Act (including priorities, allocations, and export controls); H. R. 3690, to amend the Federal Tort Claims Act to provide for payment of punitive damages in certain cases; and H. R. 2768, to authorize adjudication of claims of persons of Japanese ancestry who were evacuated under military order; also ordered favorably reported 12 private claims bills. Two private claims bills were tabled.

Subcommittee on Bankruptcy and Reorganization met in executive session to discuss H. R. 3237, regarding railroad reorganization and agreed to report the bill favorably to the full committee.

WILDLIFE—RADIOTELEGRAPH OPERATORS

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Subcommittee on Conservation of Wildlife Resources met in executive session on H. R. 3043, to provide for the transfer of certain lands to the Secretary of the Interior.

Subcommittee on Ship Construction and Operation and Maritime Labor held hearings on H. R. 1036, licensing of radiotelegraph operators, and heard Walter E. Maloney, National Federation of American Shipping; Walter R. Faries, Radio Officers Union; and Hoyt Hadlock, executive secretary, CIO Maritime Committee.

RURAL CARRIERS

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Held hearings on H. R. 1186, H. R. 1187, and H. R. 1189, rural carrier bills; and heard Thomas Walters, Rural Carriers Department, National Association of Letter Carriers; and B. A. Winquest, president, National Rural Letter Carriers Association, who testified in favor of the legislation; Roy Frank, associate solicitor, Post Office Department, and Clarence Bruce, Deputy First Assistant Postmaster General, who testified in opposition to the legislation, solely on fiscal considerations. Hearings to be continued on H. R. 3075.

RECLAMATION

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation met on H. R. 2873, to amend the Reclamation Project Act of 1939. The bill, with amendments, was ordered favorably reported to the full committee.

PUBLIC WORKS ACTIONS

Committee on Public Works: Met in executive session and ordered favorably reported to the House, without amendment, S. 723, increasing membership of the Senate Office Building Commission from 3 to 5 members; S. 980, authorizing Capitol Police Board to amend traffic regulations for the Capitol Grounds; and H. R.

3759, Federal aid to the States in the construction of rural post roads.

Continued hearings on H. R. 3036, transfer from the Interior Department to the War Department facilities for transmitting electric power from reservoir projects under War Department control, and heard C. H. Moses, president, Arkansas Light & Power Co., who testified in favor of the bill; and Frank Wilkes, president, Southwestern Gas & Electric Co.

RULES

Committee on Rules: Heard Representatives Short and Kilday, of the Committee on Armed Services, who appeared in favor of a rule providing consideration of H. R. 3830, a bill to provide for the promotion and elimination of officers of the Army, Navy, and Marine Corps, and for other purposes. A resolution providing 4 hours' debate was ordered reported.

HOSPITALS

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Met in executive session to consider subcommittee's report on Schick General Hospital.

SOCIAL SECURITY

Committee on Ways and Means: Met in executive session and considered a proposed committee amendment to H. R. 3920, relative to exclusion of certain newspaper vendors from provisions of Social Security Act and Internal Revenue Code, but reached no conclusion thereon.

REPORT ON JOINT COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Conferees on H. R. 2436, Treasury-Post Office appropriations bill, held sixth meeting, but failed to reach agreement. Another meeting is scheduled for June 26.

ECONOMIC CONDITIONS

Joint Committee on the Economic Report: Committee opened hearings on current price developments and the problem of economic stabilization, to be continued for a month, and heard C. E. Wilson, president of GMC, discuss "Economic and social matters that affect the welfare of the Nation"; and S. Sloan Colt, president of Bankers Trust Co. of New York, testify on "How can we best maintain a high level of employment, production, and purchasing power over a period of years?"

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H. R. 3020, labor-management relations bill. (Passed over President's veto June 23, 1947.) (P. L. 101); and H. R. 3792, to provide for emergency flood-control work made necessary by recent floods. Signed June 23, 1947 (P. L. 102).

Wednesday, June 25, 1947

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate not in session.

House passed Army-Navy promotion and Maritime Commission continuation bills.

Bills and resolutions on crop insurance, REA, cattle grubs, business information, disbursing officers, appropriations, agriculture investigation, and memorial approved by Senate groups.

Bill terminating consumer credit controls ordered reported to House.

Senate

Chamber Action

The Senate was not in session today.

Reports on Committee Meetings

CROP INSURANCE, REA, CATTLE GRUBS, AND FERTILIZER

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: In executive session the committee reported the following bills: S. 1326, to amend generally the Federal Crop Insurance Act, with amendment; S. 1087, to authorize use of REA loans to municipalities for payment of debts to TVA; S. 1249, to authorize funds to conduct research for eradication of cattle grubs; and H. R. 195, to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to sell certain land in Sitka, Alaska.

Hearings were also continued on S. 1251, to establish a national soil fertility policy and program, with Oscar Fosheim, South Dakota Farmers Union, testifying in support of the bill; and J. T. Sanders, National Grange, and Tom Linder, Southern Commissioners of Agriculture, testifying in opposition to it. Hearings to be continued.

WAR DEPARTMENT APPROPRIATION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee continued hearings on H. R. 3678, War Department appropriation bill, with testimony from Lt. Gen. C. P. Hall, Director of Organization and Training; and A. H. Onthank, Director of Civilian Personnel. Both witnesses testified against cuts in appropriations which would cause further reductions in civilian employees. Col. A. T. McAnsh, Director of Personnel and Administration, also testified.

AGRICULTURE APPROPRIATION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on H. R. 3601, Agriculture Department appropriation bill, continued hearings with testimony from Representative Wood; H. B. Johnson, Mansfield Hardwood Lumber

Co.; Edward O. Mather, N. Y. City Milk Dealers Assn.; Chas. W. Holman, National Cooperative Milk Producers Federation; D. W. Aitken, Midwestern Phosphate Corp.; and W. J. Swayer, Pure Milk Assn.

INDEPENDENT OFFICES

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on H. R. 3839, independent offices appropriation bill, continued hearings with testimony from representatives of the following agencies: American Battle Monuments Commission; Council of Economic Advisers; FWA; and Federal Power Commission.

GOVERNMENT CORPORATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on H. R. 3756, Government corporations appropriation, continued hearings with testimony from Gordon Clapp, general manager of TVA, and other officials of that agency.

MARSHALL TESTIMONY

Committee on Appropriations: In executive session heard Sec. of State Marshall on the Voice of America, the cultural program, State Dept. matters, and international developments.

CONSUMER CREDIT

Committee on Banking and Currency: Marriner S. Eccles, Chairman of the Federal Reserve Board, testified in support of legislation to authorize the Board to continue on a specific legislative basis the regulation of consumer installment credit that is now based on Executive order, known as Federal Reserve Regulation W. Mr. Eccles stated that Regulation W should have specific legislative sanction if it is to be indefinitely extended in peacetime; otherwise, the Executive order should be vacated. Committee meets June 26 to vote on Reorganization Plan No. 3, relative to housing.

ARMED SERVICE PERSONNEL DOWNGRADING

Committee on Civil Service: Subcommittee met with Under Secretary of War Royall, Admiral Nibecker, and

Civil Service Commissioner Flemming to discuss the downgrading of personnel in the War Department. Subcommittee meets tomorrow on H. R. 3511, to extend particular provisions of the Civil Service Retirement Act to certain persons separated from the Federal service.

BUSINESS INFORMATION AND DISBURSING OFFICERS

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: In executive session, committee approved with amendments S. 493, Technical Information and Services Act, and S. 1350, for relief of disbursing officers or agents in Treasury Department. Subcommittee will meet again Friday to hold further hearings on S. 544, travel pay for Government employees, which has already been placed on Senate calendar.

MIGRATORY BIRDS

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Subcommittee to Investigate Wildlife Conservation concluded hearings on proposed hunting regulations for migratory birds with Frederick C. Lincoln, Assistant Director of Fish and Wildlife Service, continuing his testimony.

SALE OF MAGNESIUM PLANT IN NEVADA

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Surplus Property Subcommittee met with Senator Malone and officials of the WAA to consider further the disposal of the basic magnesium plant at Henderson, Nevada. (See also p. D300.)

OIL AGREEMENTS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Hearings on Anglo-American oil agreements (Executive H, 79th) were concluded with testimony from Henry S. Fraser, Sinclair Oil Co.

FCC AMENDMENTS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee on S. 1333, FCC amendments, heard testimony from the following: Dr. E. H. Armstrong, inventor of FM broadcasting; Richard J. Hubbell, television consultant; Bill Henry, Radio Correspondents Assn.; and Stanley Faulkner, Voice of Freedom Committee. Hearings resume June 27.

HEALTH LEGISLATION

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee on Health reopened hearings on S. 545, to create an independent national health agency, and on S. 1320, National Health Insurance and Public Health Act of 1947, with Dr. Ernest P. Boas, the Physicians Forum, Inc., testifying against S. 545 and in support of S. 1320; Dr. Maurice H. Friedman, Washington, D. C., and John Mannix, John Marshall Ins. Co., testifying in support of S. 545. Hearings to be continued.

RAILROAD UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee met in executive session on S. 670, to amend the Railroad Unemployment Insurance Act by striking out provision for maternity and sickness benefits, and by specifying percent of employers' contribution to railroad unemployment insurance account, without taking action. Subcommittee continues again on June 27.

CENTRAL ARIZONA PROJECT

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation heard testimony supporting S. 1175, to construct and operate a dam at Bridge Canyon, Central Arizona project, from V. E. Larson, Bureau of Reclamation; Wayne M. Akin, Phoenix; and C. H. McKellips, Mesa, Ariz. Hearings to be continued.

APPROPRIATIONS, AGRICULTURE INVESTIGATION, AND MEMORIALS

Committee on Rules and Administration: In executive session the committee approved the following resolutions: S. Con. Res. 6, to include all general appropriation bills in one consolidated measure; S. Con. Res. 11, to create a joint committee of 14 to investigate certain matters affecting agriculture; S. Con. Res. 18, to print proceedings at unveiling of William E. Borah's statue; H. J. Res. 170, to erect a memorial to Andrew W. Mellon in D. C.; S. Res. 123, to require each Senate committee to report semiannually information on employees and expenditure of funds; S. Res. 127, placing limitations on matters to be included in body of the RECORD as part of remarks of Senators; S. Res. 128, gratuity payment to relative of a late Senate employee; S. Res. 129, to provide \$50,000 for Senate Appropriations Committee; and S. Res. 130, to provide an additional \$10,000 for Senate Appropriations Committee.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Thirteen public bills, H. R. 3969-3981; four private bills, H. R. 3982-3985; and three resolutions, H. Res. 257-259, were introduced.

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Bills Reported: Bills and resolutions were reported as follows:

H. R. 3810, amending Tariff Act of 1930 relating to conversion of foreign currency for customs purposes (H. Rept. 689);

H. R. 3961, providing increases in pension rates of Spanish-American and Civil War veterans and their dependents (H. Rept. 690);

H. R. 1113, providing for the removal of restrictions on property of Indians who served in the armed forces (H. Rept. 691);

H. R. 1938, authorizing appropriation for expenditure by the UNO International Children's Fund of certain amounts received from services of conscientious objectors (H. Rept. 692);

H. R. 3395, adding certain lands to the Modoc National Forest, Calif. (H. Rept. 693);

H. R. 3614, providing for the establishment of the Brainerd War Dead National Memorial (H. Rept. 694);

H. R. 2956, amending the Natural Gas Act of 1938 relating to the exercise of the rights of eminent domain by natural-gas companies in connection with rights-of-way for construction of natural-gas pipe lines (H. Rept. 695);

H. R. 2225, authorizing transfer to the United States Section, International Boundary and Water Commission, of a portion of Fort McIntosh, Laredo, Tex. (H. Rept. 696);

H. R. 1426, extending veterans' preference benefits to widowed mothers of certain ex-servicemen (H. Rept. 697);

H. J. Res. 156, authorizing issuance of commemorative stamps of the 150th anniversary of the launching of the U. S. S. Constitution (H. Rept. 698);

Conference report on H. R. 3737, a bill to provide revenue for the District of Columbia (H. Rept. 699);

Conference report on H. R. 3611, a bill to regulate the salaries of teachers and other employees of the Board of Education of the District of Columbia (H. Rept. 700);

H. R. 3759, amending the act providing for Federal aid to the States in the construction of rural post roads relating to increase of administrative expenses of the Public Roads Administration and reduction of allocation of highway funds to States (H. Rept. 701);

H. R. 3501, amending Armed Forces Leave Act of 1946, providing for lump-sum payment of base pay in lieu of terminal leave at separation from the armed forces (H. Rept. 702);

H. R. 3851, providing pay increases for physicians in the U. S. Military, Naval, and Public Health Services (H. Rept. 793);

H. R. 775, establishing a Commission on the Organization of the Executive Branch of the Government (H. Rept. 704); and

S. J. Res. 125, to strengthen the common defense and to meet industrial needs for tin by providing for the maintenance of a domestic tin-smelting industry (H. Rept. 705).

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Presidential Signature: Agreed to Senate amendments, thus clearing the following bills for the President's signature:

H. R. 1371, authorizing the Secretary of the Navy to appoint, for supply duty only, officers of the line of the Marine Corps.

H. R. 2276, as amended, authorizing expenses of United States Army participation in the next and future Olympic games.

H. R. 1358, providing for management and operation of naval plantations outside the continental United States, amended.

H. R. 1375, providing for the clothing allowance of enlisted men of the Marine Corps.

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New Member: Hon. Russell V. Mack appeared in the well of the House and took the oath as Representative of the Third Congressional District of Washington, filling the vacancy caused by the death of Hon. Fred Norman.

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Maritime Commission: Passed H. R. 3911, a bill to continue the temporary authority of the Maritime Commission until March 1, 1948.

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Army Volunteer Enlistments: Adopted conference report on H. R. 3303, a bill to stimulate enlistments into the Regular Military Establishment.

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Legislative Appropriations: The Committee on Appropriations obtained permission to file by midnight, Wednesday, June 25, a report on H. R. 3993, making appropriations for the legislative branch in 1948, which, when filed, will be H. Rept. 717.

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Emergency Powers: The following Senate-passed resolution, S. J. Res. 123, declaring in the interpretation of various emergency laws and proclamations that they shall be construed as terminated, and peace established, was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

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Army-Navy Promotions: Passed H. R. 3830, Army-Navy officers promotion bill, after adopting open rule (H. Res. 253), providing for its consideration. This bill is primarily designed to set up a method of reducing the rank of officers in the Army and Navy from a wartime to a peacetime program, and further establish new methods of selection and promotion of officers in the future. One minor committee amendment was adopted, and the bill, as reported from the Committee on Armed Services, was sent to the Senate.

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International Refugee Organization: Adopted H. Res. 225, rule providing for consideration of H. J. Res. 207, which provides for United States membership and participation in the IRO and authorizes an appropriation of \$73,500,000 with the approval of the State Department. The IRO will assume the duties of UNRRA, which terminates June 30, 1947, in dealing with the problems of war refugees and displaced persons.

All general debate on the resolution was completed, when the measure was reported back to the House with no resolution having been reached.

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Reports on Committee Meetings

SUGAR

Committee on Agriculture: Held executive session on sugar legislation and heard James H. Marshall, Director, Sugar Branch, Department of Agriculture.

NAVY PUBLIC WORKS—MILITARY JUSTICE

Committee on Armed Services: Posts and Stations Subcommittee met in open session to hear proponents and opponents on the provision of H. R. 3314, Navy public works bill, which provides for an airfield for the Naval Academy near Sandy Point, Md., and also on Camp Pendleton, Calif. Hearings to be continued.

Legal Subcommittee met in executive session on H. R. 2575, military justice bill, and ordered same favorably reported, as amended, to the full committee.

CONSUMER CREDIT—FEDERAL RESERVE—TIN

Committee on Banking and Currency: Met in executive session and ordered favorably reported to the House the following bills: H. J. Res. 222, to terminate consumer credit controls; H. R. 3952, providing for Federal Reserve branch bank building program; and S. J. Res. 125, providing for the maintenance of a domestic tin-smelting industry.

D. C. RECORDER OF DEEDS

Committee on the District of Columbia: Subcommittee on Judiciary held hearings on H. R. 3045, transferring the Office of Recorder of Deeds to the District Commissioners, and heard Vernon West, Corporation Counsel; Arthur R. Pilkerton, D. C. Auditor; Dr. Marshall L. Shepard, Recorder of Deeds; Bernard C. Chapman, Northeast Boundary Citizens Association; Robert W. Towles, West Virginia Social Club; Richard J. Murphy, Washington Automotive Trades Association; Thomas Frazier, Frazier's Funeral Home, Inc.; Frank D. Reeves, Washington Bar Association; and Joseph Luria, attorney at law.

NATIONAL SECURITY ACT OF 1947—DISPOSAL OF SHIPYARDS

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Met in executive session on H. R. 2319, National Security Act of 1947, and at the suggestion of members of the committee, speaking for the leadership of both the majority and the minority parties of the House, voted to close hearings on H. R. 2319, Tuesday, July 1, and authorized the chairman to appoint a subcommittee of seven to mark up a bill to be submitted to the full committee for approval.

The action with reference to the appointment of the subcommittee was a reversal of the committee decision that the full committee should write the bill. The subcommittee has not yet been appointed.

The committee also voted to report favorably to the House H. R. 2225, transferring land from Ft. McIntosh, Tex., to United States Section of International Boundary and Water Commission, United States and Mexico.

H. R. 775, creating a Commission on Organization of the Executive Branch of the Government, was also considered by the committee. Public hearings on H. R. 2319 to be continued.

Surplus Property Subcommittee continued hearings on the disposal by the Maritime Commission of the St. Johns River Shipyard, Jacksonville, Fla., to the Tampa Shipbuilding Co., and heard further testimony from Howard J. Marsden, Operating Contracts Division, Maritime Commission; John M. Carmody, former Commissioner, Maritime Commission; J. Alvin Register, appraiser, Jacksonville, Fla.; and L. E. Wolfson, Tampa Shipbuilding Co., Jacksonville, Fla. Hearings to be continued.

INTER-AMERICAN MILITARY COOPERATION

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Held hearings on H. R. 3836, Inter-American Military Cooperation Act of 1947, and heard Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower, Army Chief of Staff; Admiral Chester W. Nimitz, Chief of Naval Operations; and Hon. James G. Forrestal, Secretary of the Navy, all of whom testified in favor of the bill. Hearings to be continued.

FEDERAL POWER

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: June 24, Leonard W. Hall subcommittee held 3-hour evening session to continue public hearing on H. R. 2972 and H. R. 2973, to amend the Federal Power Act, and heard Frederic Sammond, general counsel, Wisconsin Public Service Corp., Milwaukee, Wis.; Charles Kohlhepp, vice president and general manager, Wisconsin Public Service Corp., Milwaukee, Wis.; R. W. Peterson, Madison, Wis., representing Rhinelander Power Co., Rhinelander, Wis., Marathon Corp., Rothschild, Wis., and Tomahawk Craft Paper Co., Tomahawk, Wis.; T. W. Brazeau, Consolidated Water Power Co., Wisconsin Rapids, Wis.; Gay Brown, former counsel to New York Public Service Commission, Utica, N. Y.; J. E. Corette, Jr., vice president, Montana Power Co., Butte, Mont.; W. H. Swinney, vice president and comptroller, West Penn Power Co., Pittsburgh, Pa., all of whom testified in favor of the bills.

CARRIER AGREEMENTS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Howell subcommittee met to consider H. R. 3150, and ordered the bill favorably reported to the full committee.

Full committee met in executive session and decided to consider H. R. 3150 in executive session on June 27.

Held public hearings on H. R. 221 and S. 110, agreements between carriers (Bulwinkle bill), and heard Hon. Clyde B. Aitchison, Chairman, Interstate Commerce Commission; Frederick G. Hamley, general solicitor, National Association of Railroad and Utilities Commissioners, Washington, D. C.; J. Carter Fort, vice president and general counsel, Association of American Railroads; Giles Morrow, executive secretary and general counsel, Freight Forwarders Institute, Washington, D. C.; Roland Rice, general counsel, American Truck-

ing Association, Washington, D. C.; F. G. Robinson, traffic manager, Galveston Chamber of Commerce, Galveston, Tex.; Harry R. Brashear, director of traffic service, Aircraft Industries Association of America, Inc., Washington, D. C.; Howard G. Freas, Public Utilities Commission, State of California, San Francisco, Calif.; and D. A. Bandeen, general manager, West Texas Chamber of Commerce and Freight Rate Equality Federation, Abilene, Tex.; all of whom testified in favor of the bills. Hearings to be continued.

Full committee met in executive session to consider National Science Foundation bills.

JUDICIAL—DISPLACED PERSONS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 3 held hearings on H. R. 3887, with reference to penalty applicable in the case of contumacy of persons summoned by authority of Congress, and heard Representatives McDowell, Thomas, and Rankin, who appeared in support of the measure. The bill was ordered favorably reported to the full committee. Also, the following three bills were ordered reported favorably to the full committee with slight amendments: H. R. 1468, to provide for review of certain orders of the Interstate Commerce Commission and the United States Maritime Commission, giving the United States Courts of Appeals jurisdiction on review to enjoin, set aside, or suspend such orders; H. R. 1470, to provide for the review of orders of the Federal Communications Commission, certain orders of the Secretary of Agriculture under the Perishable Agricultural Commodities Act, and the Packers and Stockyards Act; and H. R. 2271, to incorporate into the Judicial Code the provisions of certain statutes relating to three-judge district courts, and for other purposes.

Subcommittee on Immigration and Naturalization continued public hearings on H. R. 2910, providing for admission into the United States of certain displaced persons in Germany, Austria, and Italy, and heard Merwin K. Hart, National Economic Council; Representatives Javits, Davis, Foote, Jenkins of Pennsylvania, and Lesinski; and George Washington Williams, Maryland Society of the War of 1812. Statements were submitted by Representatives Madden and Klein.

Subcommittee on Claims met to consider private claims measures, and agreed to report favorably to the full committee 18 private claims bills. Three bills were reported adversely.

WILDLIFE—COAST AND GEODETIC SURVEY

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Subcommittee on Conservation of Wildlife Resources held hearings on H. R. 3487, to abolish the Parker River National Wildlife Refuge in Essex County, Mass.; and H. R. 3578, to reduce in area the Parker River National Wildlife Refuge in Essex County, Mass., and heard Charles Ingraham, Carl D. Shoemaker, Joseph A. Hagar, Lisperard Phister, Albert M. Day, Gordon M. Brown, Clark Venable, and Christian P. Norgard.

Subcommittee on Coast Guard, Coast and Geodetic Survey, and Public Health Service held hearings on H. R. 3247 and H. R. 3541, relating to the duties of the Coast and Geodetic Survey, and heard Admiral Leo Colbert, Commerce Department; Capt. Alan Hobbs, Navy Department; and Kenneth F. McClure, Navy Department. Hearings to be continued.

RURAL CARRIERS—POSTAL EMPLOYEES' OVERTIME

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Cole of Missouri subcommittee completed public hearings on H. R. 1186, H. R. 1187, and H. R. 1189, rural carrier bills.

Subcommittee ordered favorably reported to the full committee, without amendment, H. R. 3075, to amend the act of July 6, 1945, relating to the classification and compensation of employees of the postal service, so as to provide proper recompense in the form of compensatory time for overtime performed by supervisors.

RECLAMATION

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation held hearings on various bills and heard Representative Murdock, who spoke in behalf of H. R. 1597, reauthorizing the Gila Federal reclamation project and reducing its area to 66,000 irrigable acres. Also heard J. G. Will, counsel, Bureau of Reclamation, on H. R. 3218, to authorize an emergency fund for the Bureau of Reclamation to assure the continuous operation of its irrigation and power systems. This bill was ordered favorably reported to the full committee.

FLOOD CONTROL—HYDROELECTRIC POWER

Committee on Public Works: Subcommittee on Flood Control began hearings on H. R. 3233, to repeal authorization for Dillon Dam, Ohio, and heard Representative McGregor; Frank S. Farrington, Newark, Ohio; C. Allen Milliken, secretary, Chamber of Commerce, Newark, Ohio; and Louis Bromfield, Mansfield, Ohio, all of whom testified in favor of the bill; and Col. J. D. Arthur (ret.), Corps of Engineers, who testified in opposition to the bill. Hearings to be continued.

Full committee continued hearings on H. R. 3036, transfer from the Interior Department to the War Department facilities for transmitting electric power from reservoir projects under War Department control, and heard Frank S. Wilkes, president, Southwestern Gas & Electric Co.; and K. M. Robinson, president, Washington Water Power Co., Spokane, Wash.

VETERANS' REPRESENTATIVES—INSURANCE

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Subcommittee on Administration and Finance in the Veterans' Administration held public hearings on H. R. 1429, making it mandatory for the Administrator of Veterans' Affairs to furnish in central, branch, regional, and subregional offices of the Veterans' Administration necessary space and office facilities for paid full-time representatives of veterans' organizations recognized in United States Code 38: 101; and H. R. 3016, authorizing the Adminis-

trator of Veterans' Affairs to furnish stenographic assistance for paid full-time representatives of veterans' organizations which are authorized to present claims, and heard Harry Hayden and T. O. Kraabel, both of the American Legion; John Scott, VFW; Francis M. Sullivan, DAV; William E. Tate, DAV; and William M. Floyd, national commander, Regular Veterans' Association, all of whom testified in favor of both bills. Hearings to be continued.

Subcommittee on Insurance held public hearings on H. R. 1328, H. R. 604, H. R. 807, and H. R. 3719, insurance bills, and heard Harold W. Breining, Assistant Administrator for Insurance, Veterans' Administration, and Lawrence A. Lawler, Veterans' Administration, both giving Veterans' Administration views on the bills; Charles W. Stevens, the American Legion; J. Robert Conroy, VFW; and Kenneth Bradley, DAV.

REPORT ON JOINT COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Conferees on H. R. 3611, D. C., teachers' pay bill, reached agreement and filed a report (H. Rept. 700). *Conferees* on H. R. 3737, D. C. tax bill, reached agreement and filed a report (H. Rept. 699). Conferees agreed that Federal employees in the District of Columbia should pay the income tax unless they paid tax in their own States.

ECONOMIC CONDITIONS

Joint Committee on the Economic Report: Hearings were continued by the Joint Committee with Paul G.

Hoffman, president of the Studebaker Corp., discussing the question of developing governmental policy to prevent or alleviate economic depressions—drawing "in large part from discussions with the businessmen and economists associated with the Research and Policy Committee of the Committee for Economic Development"; and Edward A. O'Neal, president of the American Farm Bureau Federation, presenting the broad program of his organization. Hearings continue tomorrow.

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S. 614, to remove census requirement that churches disclose number of membership if against church doctrine. Signed June 25, 1947 (P. L. 103);

H. R. 1237, to regulate the marketing of economic poisons and devices. Signed June 25, 1947 (P. L. 104);

H. R. 2207, to convey lands to Shiloh National Military Park, Tenn. Signed June 25, 1947 (P. L. 105);

H. R. 2353, authorizing patenting of land in Montana. Signed June 25, 1947 (P. L. 106);

H. R. 2852, to add lands to Otter Creek Recreational Demonstration Area, Ky. Signed June 25, 1947 (P. L. 107);

H. R. 3151, to grant water right to Las Vegas. Signed June 25, 1947 (P. L. 108); and

H. R. 3197, relative to construction of Mancos project. Signed June 25, 1947 (P. L. 109).

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HIGHLIGHTS

Enlistments, tankers, alien fiancés, and Red Cross bills cleared for President.

Senate received veto on wool price support and passed a new bill, also one on FDIC.

House passed 2d war powers extension bill and adopted resolution to participate in International Refugee Organization.

Reorganization Plan No. 3 on housing approved.

Postage, Federal Reserve, Coast Guard, maritime, and Hawaiian bills approved by Senate groups.

Bills terminating certain emergency powers and extending Commodity Credit Corporation for 1 year ordered reported to House.

Senate

Chamber Action

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Bills Introduced: Eighteen bills and four resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1498-S. 1515; S. J. Res. 137 and 138; S. Con. Res. 20; and S. Res. 133.

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Bills Reported: Bills and resolutions were reported as follows:

H. J. Res. 193, to permit erection of building for American Red Cross in District of Columbia (S. Rept. 355);

H. R. 3251, relating to retirement of certain naval officers (S. Rept. 356);

H. R. 3484, to transfer Remount Service to Dept. of Agriculture (S. Rept. 357);

H. R. 3394, to amend act providing for return of remains of those buried outside United States (S. Rept. 358);

S. 364, to expedite disposition of surplus airports (S. Rept. 359);

Two private claims bills: S. 136 and S. 409 (S. Repts. 360 and 361);

S. 1087, to authorize use of REA loans to municipalities for payment of debts to TVA (S. Rept. 362);

S. 1249, to authorize research on eradication of cattle grubs (S. Rept. 363);

H. R. 195, to authorize sale of certain lands in Alaska (S. Rept. 364);

H. R. 1610, to authorize Cairo, Ill., Bridge Commission to issue refunding bonds (S. Rept. 365);

H. R. 3072, to authorize preparation of plans for addition or extension to House Office Buildings (S. Rept. 366);

S. 1180, to authorize issuance of special series of Gold Star mother commemorative stamps (S. Rept. 367);

H. R. 1633, 1634, and S. 612, D. C. insurance bills (S. Repts. 368, 369, and 371 respectively);

H. R. 1893, to authorize sale of bed of E St. (S. Rept. 370);

S. 8, to provide for incorporation and regulation of certain D. C. business corporations (S. Rept. 372);

H. R. 494, to reorganize D. C. parole system (S. Rept. 373);

S. 1442, survival of court actions (S. Rept. 374);

H. R. 3235, authorizing payments to attorneys and architects in condemnation proceedings (S. Rept. 375);

H. R. 3515, D. C. athletic bribery bill (S. Rept. 376);

S. 1498, to establish a wool price support (S. Rept. 377);

S. 1326, to amend generally Federal Crop Insurance Act (S. Rept. 378);

S. 1350, for relief of chief disbursing officer of Treasury (S. Rept. 379);

S. 1402, to authorize D. C. Episcopal churches to establish bylaws governing election of vestrymen (S. Rept. 380);

S. 1462, to authorize official reporters of D. C. municipal court to collect transcript fees (S. Rept. 381);

H. R. 2470, to authorize establishment of Metropolitan Police band (S. Rept. 382);

H. R. 3547, to authorize funds for D. C. ceremonies (S. Rept. 383);

S. J. Res. 129, to provide for commemoration of 150th anniversary of establishment of Federal Government in D. C. (S. Rept. 384);

S. 714, land patent bill (S. Rept. 385);

S. 1317, to give Crow Indian Tribe power to manage certain lands (S. Rept. 386);

S. 1419, to enable Hawaiian legislature to authorize Honolulu to issue sewer bonds (S. Rept. 387);

S. 1420, to authorize Hawaii to issue certain public-improvement bonds (S. Rept. 388);

S. 1038, to amend the Federal Airport Act (S. Rept. 389);

S. J. Res. 138, to provide for the return of Italian property in the United States (S. Rept. 390);

S. Con. Res. 6, to include all general appropriation bills into a consolidated one (S. Rept. 391);

H. J. Res. 170, to erect a D. C. statue to Andrew Mellon (no written rept.);

S. Con. Res. 11, creating a joint committee to investigate agricultural matters (no written rept.);

S. Con. Res. 18, to provide for printing of proceedings of unveiling of William E. Borah's statue (no written rept.);

S. Res. 123, requiring each Senate committee to report semiannually on its employees and expenditures (no written rept.);

S. Res. 127, placing limitations on matters to be included in body of RECORD as part of remarks of Senators (no written rept.); and

S. Res. 128, to pay a gratuity to Carolyn Orbello (no written rept.).

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Bills Referred: The following House-passed bills were referred to the committees indicated: H. R. 3342 (Committee on Foreign Relations); H. R. 3830 (Committee on Armed Services); and H. R. 3911 (Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce). (For passage in House, see pp. D302 and D306.)

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Red Cross: H. J. Res. 193, to permit the erection of a building for the American Red Cross in the District of Columbia, was passed, clearing it for the President.

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FDIC Stock: S. 1070, to provide for cancellation of capital stock of FDIC, was passed after the committee amendments had been adopted, and section 6, relating to the Government Corporations Control Act, had been stricken out on motion of Senator Vandenberg.

Pages 7686-7687

RFC Extension: House amendments to S. J. Res. 135, extension of RFC, were disagreed to and the following conferees appointed: Senators Buck, Capehart, Flanders, Maybank, and Sparkman.

Pages 7682-7685

Alien Fiancés: H. R. 3398, to extend the period of admission of alien fiancés, fiancées, was passed, clearing it for the President.

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Presidential Succession: S. 564, Presidential succession bill, was debated.

Pages 7691-7706, 7710-7713, 7720

Wool-Veto and New Bill: Message announcing veto on S. 814, wool price-support bill, was received and referred to the Committee on Agriculture and Forestry.

The President charged that the bill "contains features which would have an adverse effect on our inter-

national relations and which are not necessary for the support of our domestic wool growers."

Later, S. 1498, to provide support for wool, was passed without the authority of S. 814, as sent to the President, to impose import quotas as well as import fees. An amendment by Senator McGrath to terminate the authority of Commodity Credit to support the price on June 30, 1948, instead of December 31, 1948, was defeated by a voice vote.

Pages 7687-7688, 7706-7710

Enlistments: Conference Report on H. R. 3303, a bill to stimulate enlistments in the Regular Military Establishment, was agreed to, thus clearing the measure for the President.

Pages 7717-7718

Printing: H. Con. Res. 35, 39, and 40, relating to the printing of House reports, were passed.

Pages 7716-7717

Appropriations: S. Res. 129 and 130, authorizing additional funds for the Committee on Appropriations, were approved.

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Tankers: H. R. 3911, continuing the authority of the Maritime Commission over tankers until March 1, 1948, was passed and sent to the President.

Pages 7720-7721

Nominations: The following nominations were received: W. A. Ayres, for reappointment as FTC Commissioner, together with 18 appointments in the Diplomatic and Foreign Service, 2 in the Marine Corps, and the withdrawal of 103 postmasters.

Pages 7721-7722

Reports on Committee Meetings

WOOL PRICE SUPPORT AND FERTILIZER

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: In executive session, committee studied President's veto message of S. 814, wool price-support bill, and reported a new bill (S. 1498), which was later passed by Senate.

E. B. Johnston, Centralia Farmers Co-op., Inc., Selma, Ala., and C. N. Silcox, Cooperative Grange League Federation Exchange, Inc., Ithaca N. Y., in open hearings, spoke in opposition to S. 1251, to establish a national soil fertility policy and program. Hearings to be continued.

AGRICULTURE APPROPRIATION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on H. R. 3601, Agriculture Department appropriation bill, continued hearings with testimony from the following: Representative Lea; Walter W. Maule, Mushroom Growers Cooperative Assn.; Reese VanVranken, Mich. Livestock Assn.; Paul W. Mitchell, Newark, Del.; Robert Jackson, National Cotton Council; E. R. Reed, Assn. Illinois Elect. Cooperatives; W. W. Lynch, Texas Power & Light Co.; John R. H. Scott, VFW; Rev. John Vysnauskas; Joseph B. Megan; Bruce Waybur, UER&M (CIO); Clyde T. Ellis, National Rural Elec. Cooperative Assn.; Lee Nelson, Rochester, Minn.; J. J. White, Helena Bank, Ark.; and E. C. McArthur.

GOVERNMENT CORPORATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on H. R. 3756, Government corporations appropriation, continued hearings with testimony from Frank Creedon, Housing Expediter, and officials of the Federal Public Housing Administration and Home Loan Bank Board.

WAR DEPARTMENT

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on H. R. 3678, War Department appropriations bill, continued hearings with testimony from representatives of the National Guard and the Reserve Officers Assn.

INDEPENDENT OFFICES

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on H. R. 3839, independent offices appropriation bill, continued hearings with testimony from Robert M. Littlejohn, WAA Administrator, and representatives of the Tariff Commission and the National Archives.

HOUSING AND FEDERAL RESERVE

Committee on Banking and Currency: In executive session, committee by 7 to 6 approved the President's Reorganization Plan No. 3, when it voted to report adversely H. Con. Res. 51, to disapprove Plan No. 3, dealing with housing.

A proposal to remove legal restrictions on construction of branch bank buildings for Federal Reserve Banks, when costs do not exceed \$10 million, was unanimously approved, and Senator Buck was authorized to introduce and report the same.

Hearings were announced for July 2 on Federal Reserve Regulation W, relative to consumer credit, and on July 8 and 9 on S. 1459 and H. R. 3492, to provide for disposition of certain war housing, and S. 1179, to terminate executive order to reestablish the Home Loan Bank Board and to establish a Federal Home Loan Housing Board.

POSTAGE, COAST GUARD, AND BUREAU OF NARCOTICS

Committee on Civil Service: Subcommittee unanimously approved for reporting to the full committee H. R. 1389, to disallow benefits under the Veterans' Preference Act of 1944 to auxiliary Coast Guard patrol, after hearing Millard W. Rice, Disabled American Veterans, testify in support of it; and H. J. Res. 221, to freeze first-class postage rates effective July 1, 1947.

S. 1089, to provide retirement after 20 years of service for investigative forces of Narcotics Bureau, was assigned to subcommittee for further study.

Civil Service Commissioner Harry B. Mitchell and assistants testified on H. R. 3511, permitting persons involuntarily separated from United States service and having 25 years of service, having attained the age of 55, to receive an annuity. Senator Williams requested additional data on bill from witnesses, and announced further hearings at some later date.

INTERSTATE COMMERCE

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: In executive session approved the following bills: H. R. 599, relative to navigable waters in Maine; H. R. 3333, transferring the ship *Joseph Conrad* to the Marine Historical Assn.; H. R. 3911, continuing the Maritime Commission authority over tankers; and S. Con. Res. 14, favoring representatives of small business on policy-making Government boards.

Appointed a subcommittee consisting of Senators Brewster, Capchart, and Johnson to consider the nomination of Robert F. Jones, FCC Commissioner.

HEALTH LEGISLATION

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee on Health continued hearings on S. 545, to create an independent national health agency, and S. 1320, National Health Insurance and Public Health Act of 1947, and heard Dr. James C. Shields, Montana State Medical Society, and Dr. V. A. Getting, State and Territorial Health Officers Assn., testify generally in support of S. 545. Elizabeth Magee, National Consumers League, William Galvin, N. Y. State Federation of Labor, and Edward H. Weyler, Kentucky State Federation of Labor, supported S. 1320. Joseph Fichter, Ohio State Grange, discussed rural medical needs. Hearings to be continued.

HAWAII AND FT. SUMTER

Committee on Public Lands: Following three bills were approved: S. 1419, to enable Hawaiian legislature to authorize Honolulu to issue sewer bonds; S. 1420, to authorize Hawaii to issue certain public-improvement bonds; and S. J. Res. 94, to establish Ft. Sumter National Monument in S. C.

CENTRAL ARIZONA PROJECT

Committee on Public Lands: The following witnesses of Arizona testified before the Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation in support of S. 1175, to construct and operate a dam at Bridge Canyon, central Arizona project: V. I. Corbell, Tempe; W. L. Stapley, Walter R. Bimson, Nat M. Dysart, and John M. Jacobs, all of Phoenix; Phil J. Martin, Jr., and George W. Barr, both of Tucson; Jesse A. Udall, Thatcher; and K. K. Henness, Casa Grande.

NATURAL RESOURCES

Committee on Public Lands: The National Resources Economic Subcommittee heard Lynn R. Edminster, Vice Chairman of the Tariff Commission, and Eben M. Whitcomb, Director of Investigation, present data to show how the Tariff Commission arrives at determining foreign production costs of commodities entering the country. Hearings to be continued.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Fourteen public bills, H. R. 3986-3999; two private bills, H. R. 4000 and 4001; and seven resolutions, H. Res. 260-262, H. J. Res. 223 and 224, and H. Con. Res. 55 and 56 were introduced.

Pages 7722-7723, 7765

Bills Reported: Bills and resolutions were reported as follows:

Minority views on H. R. 1639 (H. Rept. 613), amending the Employers' Liability Act, so as to limit venue in actions brought in United States district courts or in State courts under such act;

H. Res. 260, rule waiving points of order against and providing 1 hour's debate on S. J. Res. 125, providing for a domestic tin-smelting industry (H. Rept. 706);

H. Res. 261, rule providing 2 hours' debate on H. R. 3049, amending the act of July 2, 1940, relating to exports of certain commodities (H. Rept. 707);

H. Res. 262, rule waiving points of order against and providing 2 hours' general debate on H. R. 3961, a bill providing increases in the rates of pensions of Spanish-American War and Civil War Veterans and their dependents (H. Rept. 708);

H. Res. 251, providing that Members of the House of Representatives and officers shall, for their convenience, be furnished with identification cards (H. Rept. 709);

H. R. 3152, extending certain powers of the President under title III of the Second War Powers Act, relative to the transportation of equipment and facilities by rail carriers (H. Rept. 710);

Two private claims bills, H. R. 650 (H. Rept. 711) and H. R. 928 (H. Rept. 712);

S. 1072, extending period during which income from agricultural labor and nursing services may be disregarded by the States in making old-age assistance payments (H. Rept. 713);

H. Con. Res. 54, providing for the use of Schick General Hospital, Iowa, by the Veterans' Administration (H. Rept. 714);

S. 816, repealing the Post Roads Act as amended relating to rates for handling of domestic telegrams sent by Government departments and officials (H. Rept. 715);

S. 1005, amending act of June 1935, authorizing participation by the United States in the Interparliamentary Union (H. Rept. 716);

H. R. 3993, legislative branch appropriation bill for 1948 (H. Rept. 717);

H. R. 2313, granting authority to send military and naval assistance to foreign governments (H. Rept. 718);

S. 350, continuing the Commodity Credit Corporation until June 30, 1948 (H. Rept. 719); and

H. R. 2511, private land bill (H. Rept. 720).

Pages 7727, 7764-7765

Treasury-Post Office: Conferees on H. R. 2436, Treasury-Post Office appropriations bill for 1948, permitted to file a conference report on the bill, by midnight, June 26, which, when filed, will be H. Rept. No. 721.

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RFC Extension: House insists on its amendments and agreed to conference asked by Senate on S. J. Res. 135, extending RFC for 1 year. Representatives Wolcott, Gamble, Kunkel, Talle, Spence, Brown of Georgia, and Patman were appointed House conferees. Conferees were granted until midnight, June 26, to file a conference report on the resolution, which, when filed, will be H. Rept. 722.

Pages 7754-7755

National Advisory Council: Heard a message from the President containing report from National Advisory Council describing operations of United States participation in the International Monetary Fund and International Bank from October 31, 1946, to March 31, 1947, which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

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Presidential Signature: Agreed to Senate amendment on H. R. 1742, a private claim bill, completing congressional action.

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Game Refuge: The Senate-passed bill, S. 161, creating a game refuge in South Carolina, was referred to the Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries.

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Tariff—Exchange Rates: Passed H. R. 3810, amending the Tariff Act of 1930 so as to clarify procedure in ascertaining the value of foreign currency for customs purposes where there are dual or multiple exchange rates.

Pages 7723-7724

Identification Cards: Passed H. Res. 251, a resolution providing that Members of the House of Representatives and officers shall, for their convenience, be furnished with identification cards.

Pages 7727-7728

2d War Powers Act: Passed H. R. 3647, a bill extending certain powers of the President under title III of the 2d War Powers Act until January 31, 1948. This bill, as amended, would continue controls on tin, tin products, cordage, antimony, cinchona bark and derivatives, fats and oils, and materials whose control is essential to implement our foreign policy or to expand the production abroad of materials critically needed in this country.

One floor amendment, which was adopted, would exclude petroleum and petroleum products from any list of materials, certified by the Secretary of State as required for export, in carrying out the foreign policy of the Nation.

Pages 7728-7740

International Refugee Organization: Passed by a vote of 124 yeas to 43 nays, H. J. Res. 207, permitting United States participation in the IRO. This measure fixes the United States share of the Organization's cost at \$73,500,000. The IRO caring for over a million Europeans made homeless by the war is presently composed of 16 nations, all of which contribute to the operational budget. Assurances that participation in the IRO could not affect United States immigration laws were given. Following passage, the House considered S. J. Res. 77, a similar measure, and struck out all language after the enacting clause and substituted the provisions of H. J. Res. 207, which was ordered to lie on the table, thus paving the way for an immediate conference between the two Houses.

Pages 7741-7754

Tin Smelting: Passed S. J. Res. 125, establishing and maintaining a tin-smelting industry in this country. With the passage of this resolution, H. Res. 260, a special rule, was ordered to lie on the table.

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Executive Branch—Commission: Passed H. R. 775, establishing a Commission on Organization of the Executive Branch of the Government. The Commission shall be composed of 12 members. It shall study present methods of operation of all agencies and independent establishments of the executive branch.

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Reports on Committee Meetings

FARM LOANS

Committee on Agriculture: Held hearings on H. R. 3330, to make available to farmers through the Federal land bank system loans similar to those made by the Land Bank Commissioner on behalf of the Federal Farm Mortgage Corporation, and heard Ivy W. Duggan, Governor, Farm Credit Association.

Met in executive session and ordered favorably reported H. R. 2511, to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to quitclaim 2 acres of land near Muirkirk, Md., to the Queens Chapel Methodist Church.

TERMINAL-LEAVE BONDS

Committee on Armed Services: Pay and Administration Subcommittee held open meeting to hear Members of Congress who are interested in legislation to provide for the cashing of terminal-leave bonds.

Later met in executive session and agreed to hold further hearing on Monday, June 30, to hear witnesses from War, Navy, and Treasury Departments, and the Veterans' Administration.

Posts and Stations Subcommittee continued hearings on H. R. 3314, Navy public works bill.

COMMODITY CREDIT CORPORATION

Committee on Banking and Currency: Held hearings on S. 350, to extend Commodity Credit Corporation for 1 year, and heard Norris E. Dodd, Under Secretary of Agriculture; Edward A. O'Neal, president, American Farm Bureau Federation; C. T. Sanders, legislative counsel, National Grange, all of whom testified in favor of the bill.

Committee later met in executive session and ordered S. 350 favorably reported to the House, without amendment.

D. C. PUBLIC WELFARE

Committee on the District of Columbia: Subcommittee on Health, Education, and Recreation held hearings on H. R. 3873, transferring the Board of Public Welfare to the District Commissioners, and heard several District officials and representatives of citizens' associations who appeared in favor of the bill. Hearings to be continued.

NATIONAL SECURITY ACT OF 1947—DISPOSAL OF SHIPYARDS

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Continued hearings on H. R. 2319, National Security Act of 1947, and heard Vice Admiral Arthur W. Radford and Capt. Raymond R. Waller, both of whom testified in opposition to the proposed legislation.

Surplus Property Subcommittee concluded hearings on the disposal by the Maritime Commission of the St. Johns River Shipyard, Jacksonville, Fla., to the Tampa Shipbuilding Co., and heard Fred Weber, Jacksonville, Fla.; and Albert H. Ainslow, treasurer, St. Johns River Shipbuilding Co.

FOREIGN AFFAIRS ACTIONS

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Continued hearings on H. R. 3836, Inter-American Military Cooperation Act of 1947, and heard Lt. Gen. Hoyt S. Vandenberg, Deputy Commanding General, Army Air Force; Lt. Gen. M. B. Ridgway, Inter-American Defense Board; Col. C. H. Deerwester, Permanent Joint Board on Defense, Canada-United States.

Committee ordered favorably reported to the House, S. 1005, to amend the act of June 28, 1935, entitled "An act to authorize participation by the United States in the Interparliamentary Union" and H. J. Res. 215, UNRRA liquidation expenses.

Subcommittee on International Organizations and Law met in executive session.

Subcommittee on Foreign Economic Policy met in executive session.

FEDERAL POWER—CARRIER AGREEMENTS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Leonard W. Hall subcommittee continued hearings on H. R.

2972 and H. R. 2973, to amend the Federal Power Act, and heard William P. Hammond, vice president and chief engineer, Georgia Power Co., Atlanta, Ga.; and Harllee Branch, Jr., counsel, Georgia Power Co., Atlanta, Ga., both of whom testified in favor of the bills.

Full committee continued hearings on H. R. 221 and S. 110, agreements between carriers (Bulwinkle bill), and heard Representative Devitt, appearing on behalf of G. H. Shafer, Weyerhaeuser Sales Co. and Weyerhaeuser Timber Co., St. Paul, Minn.; J. E. Bryan, chairman, legislative committee, National Industrial Traffic League, Washington, D. C.; Jack Garrett Scott, general counsel, National Association of Motor Bus Operators, Washington, D. C.; Col. A. B. Barber, manager, Transportation and Communications Department, Chamber of Commerce of the United States, Washington, D. C.; J. K. Hiltner, U. S. Pipe & Foundry Co., Burlington, N. J.; A. C. Hays, Fennemore, Craig, Allen and Bledsoe, Phoenix, Ariz.; Wilbur LaRoe, Jr., attorney, representing American Paper & Pulp Association, Washington, D. C.; and John T. Corbett, legislative representative, Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, Washington, D. C., all of whom testified in favor of the bills, and Albert Boggess, Special Assistant to the Attorney General, United States Department of Justice, who testified in opposition to the bills.

Full committee met in executive session to consider H. R. 2185, to amend Natural Gas Act.

EMERGENCY POWERS

Committee on the Judiciary: Full committee met in executive session and ordered favorably reported to the House S. J. Res. 123, to terminate a number of emergency and war powers statutes, and H. R. 3887, to increase the penalty in the case of contumacy of persons summoned by authority of Congress.

Subcommittee on Immigration and Naturalization met in executive session and ordered favorably reported to the full committee two private bills.

COAST AND GEODETIC SURVEY

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Subcommittee on Coast Guard, Coast and Geodetic Survey, and Public Health Service held hearings on H. R. 3247 and H. R. 3541, relating to the duties of the Coast and Geodetic Survey, and heard Representative Engel, and Admiral Leo Colbert and Commander Bond, both of the Coast and Geodetic Survey.

POSTAL EMPLOYEES' OVERTIME

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Met in executive session and ordered favorably reported, without amendment, H. R. 3075, relating to payment for overtime performed by supervisors in postal service.

Held hearing on H. R. 3202, prohibiting lithographing or engraving on envelopes sold by the Post Office Department, and heard officials of the Post Office Department, who appeared in opposition to the bill.

ALASKA HOMESTEAD

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Public Lands met on H. R. 868 and H. R. 1548, homesteading in Alaska by war veterans, and ordered H. R. 868 favorably reported, as amended, to the full committee.

Subcommittee also substituted S. 1185 for H. R. 3701, sale of material on public lands, and ordered S. 1185, as amended, favorably reported to the full committee.

NAVIGATION PROJECTS—FLOOD CONTROL

Committee on Public Works: Subcommittee on Rivers and Harbors met in executive session and recommended that the full committee approve review resolutions on navigation projects as follows: Goose Creek and Manokin Creek, Md.; Jenkins Creek, Md.; Pascagoula Harbor, and Horn Island Pass, Miss.; and inland waterway, Masonboro Inlet, N. C.

Subcommittee on Flood Control continued hearings on H. R. 3233, to repeal authorization for Dillon Dam, Ohio, and heard Representative McGregor; Clay Littick; William M. Curphey, Muskingan Valley Association; William Corry, Chamber of Commerce; R. W. McAllister, vice president, Muskingan Valley Association; Alfred Baker, president, Chamber of Commerce, all of Zanesville, Ohio; and Representative Griffiths.

EXPORT CONTROL—PENSIONS—TIN

Committee on Rules: Heard Representative Shafer, of the Committee on Armed Services, who favored a rule providing consideration of H. R. 3049, a bill to continue in effect section 6 of the Act of July 2, 1940 (54 Stat. 714), as amended, relating to the exportation of certain commodities. A resolution providing 2 hours of debate was ordered reported.

Heard Representative O'Konski, of the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, who favored a rule providing consideration of H. R. 3961, a bill to provide increases in the rates of pension payable to Spanish-American War and Civil War veterans and their dependents. A resolution providing 1 hour of debate, waiving points of order, and barring amendments was ordered reported.

Heard Chairman Wolcott, of the Committee on Banking and Currency, who favored a rule providing consideration of S. J. Res. 125, to strengthen the common defense and to meet industrial needs for tin by providing for the maintenance of a domestic tin-smelting industry. A resolution providing 1 hour of debate was ordered reported.

VETERANS REPRESENTATIVES

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Subcommittee on Administration and Finance in the Veterans' Administration held hearings on H. R. 1429, making it mandatory for the Administrator of Veterans' Affairs to furnish in central, branch, regional, and subregional offices of the Veterans' Administration necessary space and office facilities for paid full-time representatives of veterans' organizations recognized in United States Code 38: 101; and H. R. 3016, authorizing the Administrator of Veterans' Affairs to furnish stenographic assistance for paid full-time representatives of veterans' organizations which are authorized to present claims, and heard Timothy F. Daley, Denton H. Reed, and Herbert Baruch, giving views of the Veterans' Administration on both bills; Clarence G. Adamy, AMVETS; and William Tate and Francis M. Sullivan, DAV, all of whom testified in favor of the bills.

Committee on Ways and Means: Resumed hearings on general tax revision, and heard James F. Newcomb, president, Printing Industry of America, Inc.; Albert E. Arent, tax counsel, Printing Industry of America, Inc., Washington, D. C.; both of whom discussed and recommended corporate tax revisions; and Elden McFarland, tax section, American Bar Association, Washington, D. C., who discussed and recommended excess profits tax revision. Hearings to be continued.

TAX REVISION—SOCIAL SECURITY

Social Security Subcommittee met in executive session on H. R. 3920, relative to exclusion of certain newspaper vendors from provisions of the Social Security Act and Internal Revenue Code. Meeting to be continued.

REPORT ON JOINT COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Conferees on H. R. 2436, Treasury-Post Office appropriations bill, in their 7th session reached agreement and filed a report (H. Rept. 721).

ECONOMIC CONDITIONS

Joint Committee on the Economic Report: Continuing hearings on economic conditions, the joint committee heard Fowler McCormick, International Harvester Co., relate recent actions by his company "of interest to the committee in connection with its inquiry into economic matters"; and Emil Rieve, CIO Full Employment Committee, discuss the present situation, "weighing the favorable economic factors against the unfavorable" and give his conception of "trends in employment, prices, profits, wages, savings, production, and other important economic facts." Hearings continue Wednesday, July 2.

BILLS SIGNED BY THE PRESIDENT

(New Laws)

(For last listing of Public Laws, see p. D308)

S. 597, to provide for protection of forests against insects. Signed June 25, 1947 (P. L. 110);

H. J. Res. 188, authorizing memorial in D. C. to 1st Infantry Division. Signed June 25, 1947 (P. L. 111);

H. J. Res. 210, to extend the time for release of powers of appointment free of estate and gift taxes. Signed June 25, 1947 (P. L. 112);

H. R. 468, to provide, in defining "dividends," for net operating loss credit in connection with distributions by personal holding companies. Signed June 25, 1947 (P. L. 113);

H. R. 1624, to authorize allowances to 3 D. C. police inspectors for use of privately owned cars. Signed June 25, 1947 (P. L. 114);

H. R. 2368, to increase from 1½ million to 3 million dollars the amount authorized as a revolving fund for

loans to veterans for vocational rehabilitation courses. Signed June 25, 1947 (P. L. 115);

H. R. 2872, to amend the Public Debt Act of 1941 relative to tax exemption on interest from United States obligations. Signed June 25, 1947 (P. L. 116);

H. R. 3143, to construct Paonia Federal reclamation project, Colo. Signed June 25, 1947 (P. L. 117); and

H. R. 310, to permit delivery of water from D. C. system to metropolitan area. Signed June 26, 1947 (P. L. 118).

Friday, June 27, 1947

HIGHLIGHTS

Bills on RFC extension, Treasury-Post Office appropriations, executive organization, IRO, blanket appropriations and D. C. teachers cleared for President.

Senate passed Presidential succession, second war power-export control extension, and mining claims bills.

House passed legislative appropriations bill for 1948.

Bills on liquor and railroads approved by Senate group.

Railroad unemployment insurance bill ordered reported to House.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 7786-7788.

Bills Introduced: Fourteen bills and four resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1516-S. 1529; S. J. Res. 139, 140; and S. Res. 134 and 135.

Pages 7786-7787, 7787-7788, 7804, 7805-7806, 7816

Bills Reported: Bills and resolutions were reported as follows:

S. 1519, to remove legal restrictions on Federal Reserve branch bank constructions when costs do not exceed \$10 million (S. Rept. 393);

H. R. 325, to transfer Blair County, Pa., from the middle to the western judicial district (S. Rept. 394);

S. 493, technical information and services bill (S. Rept. 395);

H. R. 1389, to amend the Veterans' Preference Act (S. Rept. 396); and

H. J. Res. 221, to provide for permanent rates on first class mail (S. Rept. 397).

Pages 7786-7787

Bills Referred: The following House-passed bill was referred to committee indicated: H. R. 3810 (Committee on Finance); H. R. 775 and 3647 (Calendar). (For passage in House, see Digest, p. D313.)

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Presidential Succession: S. 564, Presidential succession bill, was passed 50 yeas to 35 nays. Previously, the following action was taken: Defeated, 31 yeas to 55

nays, Senator Russell's amendment to place the President pro tempore of the Senate first in line of succession; defeated, 36 yeas to 50 nays, Senator McClellan's amendment to make the proposal effective after January 20, 1949; defeated by voice vote Senator Green's motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Rules and Administration until S. Con. Res. 1 (to create joint committee to investigate Presidential succession and election of President and Vice President) had been reported; defeated by voice vote Senator McMahon's amendment providing for the calling of the electoral college to elect a President and Vice President when such action is necessary between regular quadrennial election; defeated by voice vote Senator Wiley's amendment to place in the line of succession, after the Speaker of the House, the President pro tempore of the Senate and the Cabinet, the highest ranking military or naval officer; and defeated by voice vote Senator Hatch's motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

Pages 7766-7786

Emergency Powers: Debated S. 1461, 2d war powers extension and export control. Later the Senate passed, by voice vote, S. J. Res. 139, which extends title III of the Second War Powers Act and the Export Control Act to July 15.

Pages 7788-7791, 7804

D. C. Teachers: Conference report on H. R. 3611, D. C. teachers pay bill, was adopted, thus clearing the bill for the President.

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Treasury-Post Office Appropriation: Conference report on H. R. 2436, Treasury-Post Office appropriation bill, was adopted 51 yeas to 26 nays, thus clearing the bill for the President.

Pages 7791-7796

RFC Extension: Conference report on S. J. Res. 135, extending RFC for 1 year, was adopted, thus clearing the resolution for the President.

Pages 7796-7803

IRO: House amendments to S. J. Res. 77, providing for U. S. participation in the International Refugee Organization, were concurred in, thus clearing the bill for the President.

Pages 7804-7805

Appropriations: S. J. Res. 140, providing temporary extension of appropriations beyond June 30, until annual supply bills are enacted, was passed.

Pages 7805-7806

Mining Claims: Conference Report on H. R. 2369, suspending annual assessment work on certain mining claims in Alaska, was adopted.

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Executive Organization: H. R. 775, for the establishment of a Commission on Organization of the Executive Branch of the Government, was passed by voice vote, without amendment, and cleared for the President. Companion bill (S. 164) was postponed indefinitely.

Pages 7803-7804

Committee Employees: S. Res. 123, requiring publication of information on Senate committee employees, was passed.

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Nominations: The following nominations were received: Maj. Gen. Frank Cramer, to be Chief of National Guard Bureau, 24 appointments in the Navy, and 43 postmasters.

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Reports on Committee Meetings

FERTILIZER

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Hearings were concluded on S. 1251, to create a national soil fertility policy and program, after receiving testimony from Senators Hatch and Holland; and Horace M. Albright, U. S. Potash Co., Carlsbad, N. Mex., in opposition to measure. Donald Kirkpatrick, American Farm Bureau, gave rebuttal testimony for proponents.

AGRICULTURE APPROPRIATION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on H. R. 3601, Agriculture Department appropriation bill, concluded hearings with testimony from Gus F. Geissler, Federal Crop Insurance Corp.; J. M. Mehl, Commodity Exchange Administrator; Dillard B. Lasseter, Farmers Home Administrator; and REA Administrator Claude R. Wickard.

GOVERNMENT CORPORATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on H. R. 3756, Government corporations appropriations, con-

tinued hearings with testimony from Representatives Kefauver and Jones of Alabama; Edward A. O'Neal, American Farm Bureau Federation; and officials of the TVA.

INDEPENDENT OFFICES

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on H. R. 3839, independent offices appropriation bill, concluded hearings with testimony from representatives of the Smithsonian Institution, FCC, ICC, SEC, and Maritime Commission.

WAR DEPARTMENT

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on H. R. 3678, War Department appropriations bill, continued hearings with testimony from representatives of the Corps of Engineers, Ordnance Department, and the Air Forces.

ARMY PAY BILL

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee met on S. 1174, inactive-duty training pay bill, with Maj. Gen. William D. Old and Brig. Gen. Arthur G. Trudeau, War Department, and Maj. Gen. Ellard A. Walsh, National Guard Assn., testifying in favor of it. Hearings will be continued at later date.

GOVERNMENT TRAVEL PAY

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Committee met to consider further S. 544, which is already pending on Senate calendar, to hear Brig. Gen. Arthur G. Trudeau, War Department, and Rear Admiral T. L. Sprague, USN, oppose elimination of mileage allowance (8 cents per mile) to military and naval personnel involved in permanent change of station.

LIQUORS AND RAILROADS

Committee on Finance: In executive session, following three bills were approved without amendment: H. R. 959, relative to draw-back allowances on distilled spirits or wines manufactured for export; H. R. 1945, amending Internal Revenue Code relative to regulatory provisions governing wine production; and H. R. 1946, amending Internal Revenue Code relative to blending of fruit brandies and imposition of an additional tax of 30 cents a gallon on such brandy.

H. R. 3861, to allow newly chartered railroads, having been in bankruptcy, benefits of their predecessor's carry-overs, was approved, with following two amendments: Extending date from January 1, 1948, to January 1, 1950; and preventing carry-over from predecessor to successor from engendering an enlarged future carry-over to successor.

The nomination of C. Clyde Keefe, of New Hampshire, to be collector of internal revenue for district in N. H., and Harry M. Brennan, to be a customs collector at Louisville, Ky., were ordered reported favorably.

FCC NOMINATION

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee on nomination of Robert F. Jones, to be FCC Commissioner, heard: Senator Dworshak; Representatives Knutson, Wigglesworth, Taber, Simpson of Pennsylvania, Johnson of Indiana, Jenkins of Ohio; and nominee testify in support of nomination; and Drew Pearson, columnist, oppose it.

FCC AMENDMENTS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee on S. 1333, FCC amendments, continued hearings with testimony from Senator Taylor; Fulton Lewis, radio commentator; Edmund Craney, Montana radio operator; a representative of PCA; Arnold Petersen, Socialist Labor Party; and Bernard K. Johnpoll, WYOS, Liberty, N. Y.

HEALTH LEGISLATION

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Continuing hearings on S. 545, to create an independent national health agency, and S. 1320, National Health Insurance and Public Health Act of 1947, Subcommittee on Health heard the following proponents of S. 1320: Patrick A. Tompkins, Mass. Dept. of Public Welfare, Boston; Dr.

Reginald M. Atwater, American Public Health Assn., N. Y.; Dr. Theodore Sanders, National Federation of Settlements, N. Y.; and Edward J. Slater, Essex Trades Council, Newark. Hearings to be continued July 2.

NATURAL RESOURCES

Committee on Public Lands: Carl L. Wilken, Raw Materials National Council, and Dr. John Lee Coulter, consulting economist, discussed economic position of the United States in development and utilization of its natural resources. Mr. Wilken discussed the maintenance of the national income and national price structure, protecting price level against possible collapse in competition with foreign levels. Dr. Coulter's presentation centered around economic soundness of every program having for its purpose the development and utilization of our own natural resources.

CENTRAL ARIZONA PROJECT

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation heard testimony from the following witnesses from Arizona in support of S. 1175, to construct and operate a dam at Bridge Canyon, central Arizona project: Geo. W. Barr, Geo. T. Jones, Alfred Jackson, and E. B. Debler. Hearings to be continued.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Reported: Bills and resolutions were reported 4014; two private bills, H. R. 4015 and 4016; and two resolutions, H. Res. 263 and 264, were introduced.

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Bills Reported: Bills and resolutions were reported as follows:

H. R. 4002, War Department civil functions appropriation bill for 1948 (H. Rept. 723);

H. R. 4003, Labor Department-FSA appropriations for 1948, supplementing the Mediation and Conciliation Service of the NLRB to meet demands necessitated by Public Law 101, Taft-Hartley bill (H. Rept. 724);

H. R. 3911, continuing authority of the Maritime Commission to sell and charter ships (H. Rept. 725);

H. R. 3872, amending the Civil Service Retirement Act, relating to liberalizing annuities and benefits given Federal employees (H. Rept. 726);

H. R. 3127, providing for loan or gift of obsolete ordnance to State homes for former members of the armed services (H. Rept. 727);

H. R. 1693, providing United States aid for fish restoration and management projects (H. Rept. 728);

H. R. 3767, providing for the protection and preservation of the sockeye salmon fishery of the Fraser River system (H. Rept. 729);

Conference report on H. R. 2369, providing for suspension of annual assessment work on mining claims held by location in Alaska (H. Rept. 730);

H. Res. 263, rule waiving all points of order against H. R. 4003, Labor Department-FSA appropriations for 1948 (H. Rept. 731);

H. R. 3999, authorizing the Attorney General to adjudicate certain claims resulting from evacuation of certain persons of Japanese ancestry under military orders (H. Rept. 732);

H. R. 3997, to exclude certain vendors of newspapers and magazines from certain provisions of the Social Security Act and the Internal Revenue Code (H. Rept. 733);

H. R. 2239, amending Surplus Property Act of 1944, authorizing sale or lease to the State governments of surplus property for use in training civilian components of the Army (H. Rept. 734); and

H. R. 3150, to amend the Railroad Unemployment Insurance Act, as amended (H. Rept. 735).

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D. C. Revenue: Committee of conference on H. R. 3737, D. C. revenue-raising measure, were granted permission to file a second conference report, by midnight Saturday, June 28. When filed, this report will be H. Rept. 801.

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Agricultural Labor and Nurses: Passed S. 1072, to extend until July 1, 1949, the period during which income from agricultural labor and nursing services may be disregarded in making old-age assistance payments.

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Presidential Veto: H. R. 723, for the relief of Hunter A. Hoagland, which was vetoed by the President, was referred back to the Committee on the Judiciary.

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Presidential Signature:

Treasury-Post Office: Adopted the conference report on H. R. 2436, making appropriations for the Treasury and Post Office Department in 1948.

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D. C. Teachers: Adopted the conference report on H. R. 3611, D. C. Teachers' Salary Act of 1947.

Pages 7825-7826

RFC Extension: Adopted the conference report on S. J. Res. 135, extending the RFC for 1 year.

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Legislative Appropriations: Passed, by voice vote, H. R. 3993, the legislative branch appropriations bill for 1948. This measure, which supplies funds in fiscal 1948 for the House of Representatives, the Senate, Library of Congress, GPO, Capitol Police, Architect, Legislative Counsel, and Botanic Gardens, was reported by the Committee on Appropriations containing \$54,907,505, a reduction of \$21,245,572 from the Budget estimates for 1948, and a decrease of \$7,373,690 from the appropriations for this branch in 1947.

This bill is the fifteenth appropriation bill and the tenth of the regular departmental appropriation bills sent to the Senate in this session.

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Naval Appropriations: Disagreed to Senate amendments on H. R. 3493, Navy Department appropriations bill for 1948, agreed to conference asked, and Representatives Plumley, Johnson of Indiana, Ploeser, Scrivner, Sheppard, Thomas of Texas, and Hendricks were appointed conferees on the part of the House.

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Commodity Credit: Passed S. 350, continuing the Commodity Credit Corporation until June 30, 1948.

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D. C. Revenue Bill: After consideration of the conference report on H. R. 3737, a bill to provide revenue for the District of Columbia, the House adopted, by a vote of 221 yeas to 78 nays, a preferential motion to recommit the report to the Committee on the District of Columbia, with instructions.

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Reports on Committee Meetings

SUGAR

Committee on Agriculture: Held hearings on sugar legislation, and heard Arthur L. Quinn, representing Puerto Rican American Sugar Refining Co.; William Glazier, Washington representative, International Longshoremen's and Warehousemen's Union; Robert K. Lamb, legislative representative, United Steel Workers of America, representing the CIO; Mrs. Elizabeth Sasuly, Washington representative of the Food, Tobacco, Agricultural and Allied Workers Organization; and Julio F. Reynado, attorney, residing in the Dominican Republic, representing the Dominican Republic Sugar Producers Association. Hearings will continue next Monday.

UNIVERSAL MILITARY TRAINING

Committee on Armed Services: Full committee held meeting to hear former Justice Owen Roberts testify in favor of universal military training.

Scientific Research and Development Subcommittee met in open session to consider H. R. 612, construction of research laboratory for Quartermaster Corps, in the vicinity of Boston, Mass.

D. C. RECORDER OF DEEDS

Committee on the District of Columbia: Subcommittee on Health, Education, and Recreation held hearings on H. R. 3045, to place the Office of the Recorder of Deeds of the District of Columbia under the jurisdiction of the D. C. Commissioners, and heard Commissioner Guy Mason; Vernon West, Corporation Counsel; and Raymond F. Clapp, Assistant Director, Department of Public Welfare, all of whom testified in favor of the bill. Some amendments were adopted and the bill was ordered favorably reported to the full committee.

MINIMUM WAGE

Committee on Education and Labor: Subcommittee on Wages and Hours of Labor held hearings on H. R. 3886, minimum wage rate changes, and heard Representatives Landis, Celler, Holifield, and Norton, all of whom testified in favor of the legislation.

NATIONAL SECURITY ACT OF 1947

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Department: Met in executive session on H. R. 2319, National Security Act of 1947, to consider the section of the bill pertaining to the Central Intelligence Agency. Open hearings on this bill will continue tomorrow.

FOREIGN AFFAIRS

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee No. 6 met and ordered favorably reported to the full committee H. R. 3891, International Organizations Procurement Act of 1947.

Subcommittee No. 4 met and further considered the Institute of Inter-American Affairs.

Subcommittee No. 5 met for further consideration of H. J. Res. 161, World Health Organization bill.

R. R. UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE—CARRIER AGREEMENTS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Met in executive session and ordered favorably reported to the House H. R. 3150, to amend the railroad unemployment insurance act.

Continued public hearings before full committee on H. R. 221 and S. 110, agreements between carriers (Bulwinkle bill), and heard Col. J. Monroe Johnson, Director, ODT, who testified in favor of the legislation; and Arne C. Wiprud, Washington, D. C. (formerly Special Assistant to the Attorney General), who testified in opposition to the bills. Hearings will continue June 30.

JUDICIAL—DISPLACED PERSONS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Claims held hearings on private claims measures.

Subcommittee on Bankruptcy and Reorganization heard Representative Fellows on H. R. 3230, with respect to certain referees in bankruptcy; Representative Reeves on H. R. 3930, to amend the wage earner section of the Bankruptcy Act; and E. L. Covey, Chief of the Bankruptcy Division of the Administrative Office of the United States Courts, on both bills.

Subcommittee on Immigration and Naturalization continued hearings on H. R. 2910, regarding admission into the United States of certain displaced persons in Germany, Austria, and Italy, and heard John C. Williamson, representing VFW; John Thomas Taylor, James E. Green, and Jeremiah J. Twomey, representing the American Legion; and Hon. Guy Gillette, representing the League for Free Palestine.

RUSSIAN OIL EXPORTS—SALMON

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Subcommittee on Salt-Water Fish and Shellfish Problems held hearings on H. R. 3859, relating to the leasing of salmon trap sites in Alaska, and heard Warner W. Gardner, Assistant Secretary of the Interior.

Full committee met in open session to consider the Russian oil situation, and heard Col. J. Vogel, Executive Officer of the Army-Navy Petroleum Board, War Department; Capt. Ralph E. Wilson, Army-Navy Petroleum Board, Navy Department; Robert E. Friedman, Oil and Gas Division, Department of the Interior; Capt. Henry Sweet, Bureau of Customs; and Edward Ely, Census Bureau.

Full committee met in executive session and ordered favorably reported to House H. R. 3767, to provide for the protection, preservation, and extension of the sock-eye salmon fishery of the Fraser River system; and H. R. 1693, directing the Secretary of the Interior to cooperate with the States in fish restoration and management projects.

FORT SUMNER IRRIGATION DISTRICT, N. MEX.—MINING

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation held hearings on H. R. 3833 and H. R. 3834, relative to Fort Sumner Irrigation District, N. Mex., and heard Representative Thomason, who opposed the legislation; Representative Fernandez, who explained the history of the project and asked that the bills be passed; Senator Hatch; Michael W. Straus, Commissioner, Bureau of Reclamation; and Wesley R. Nelson, Regional Director, Bureau of Reclamation, Amarillo, Tex., all of whom testified in favor of the legislation.

Subcommittee on Mines and Mining held hearings on H. R. 2867, permitting mining locations in the Custer State Park Game Sanctuary of Harney National Forest, S. Dak.; H. R. 2453, authorizing \$750,000 for erection and equipment and \$250,000 annually for the maintenance and operation of a lignite research laboratory; and H. R. 2186, increasing the amount of coal lands leasable in one tract, or in one State, to one lessee, and heard Representative Robertson; Fred J. Frederickson, executive director, North Dakota Resources Board and member of Minnesota-North Dakota Resources Development Commission; A. C. Fieldner, chief, Fuels and Explosives Branch, Bureau of Mines, Department of the Interior; Dr. L. C. McCabe, chief, Coal Division, U. S. Bureau of Mines; and Alex C. Burr, director of research, North Dakota Research Foundation, Bismarck, N. Dak., who testified on H. R. 2453; and Chad F. Calhoun, vice president, Kaiser, Co., Inc., Washington, D. C., who testified on H. R. 2186.

Subcommittee ordered H. R. 2867 favorably reported, with amendment to the full committee; H. R. 2453, without amendment; action referred on H. R. 2186.

LABOR-FEDERAL SECURITY APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Rules: Heard Representatives Keefe, Rooney, and Schwabe of Oklahoma, of the Committee on Appropriations, who favored a rule waiving points of order against H. R. 4003, a bill making appropriations for the Department of Labor, the Federal Security Agency, and related independent agencies, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1948, and for other purposes. The resolution was ordered reported.

VETERANS

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Subcommittee on Compensation and Pensions met in executive session for the consideration of various bills.

TAX REVISION—SOCIAL SECURITY

Committee on Ways and Means: Met in executive session on H. R. 3997, to exclude news vendors from certain provisions of the Social Security Act, and ordered the bill, without amendment, favorably reported.

Continued hearings on corporate tax revisions and heard James D. Mooney, president and chairman of the

board, Willys-Overland Motors, Toledo, Ohio; O. A. Reardon, vice president, Mutual Ice Co., Alexandria, Va. (National Association of State Chambers of Commerce); and Theodore K. Warner, attorney at law (National Association of State Chambers of Commerce), who discussed general corporate tax revision. Hearings will continue June 30.

REPORT ON JOINT COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Conferees on H. R. 2700, Labor-Federal Security appropriations bill, held second meeting but failed to reach agreement. Another meeting was scheduled.

BILLS SIGNED BY THE PRESIDENT

(New Laws)

(For last listing of Public Laws, see p. D315)

H. R. 1344, admitting the American-owned ferry *Crosline* to American registry. Signed June 26, 1947 (P. L. 119);

S. 1230, to extend provisions of the National Housing Act to January 31, 1948. Signed June 26, 1947 (P. L. 120);

H. R. 3348, relative to construction of Coachella division of All-American Canal irrigation project. Signed June 26, 1947 (P. L. 121); and

H. R. 3791, second urgent deficiency appropriation bill. Signed June 27, 1947 (P. L. 122).

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HIGHLIGHTS

Senate disapproved President's Reorganization Plan No. 2; worked on State, Justice, Commerce appropriations; and passed postal-rate bill.

House passed bills on Hawaiian statehood, war-pension increases, and second war power-export control extension.

Insurance regulation bill approved by Senate group.

House subcommittee approves bill permitting the cashing of terminal-leave bonds.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 7875-7881.

Bills Introduced: Eight bills and four resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1530-S. 1537; S. Con. Res. 21 and 22; S. Res. 136 and 137.

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Bills Reported: Bills and resolutions were reported as follows:

H. R. 599, relative to navigable waters in Maine (S. Rept. 398);

H. R. 3333, transferring the ship *Joseph Conrad* to the Marine Historical Assn. (S. Rept. 399);

H. Con. Res. 51, disapproving Reorganization Plan No. 3, devoted to housing (adverse report) (S. Rept. 400);

H. R. 959, relative to draw-back allowances on distilled spirits or wines manufactured for export (S. Rept. 401);

H. R. 1945, amending Internal Revenue Code relative to regulatory provisions governing wine production (S. Rept. 402);

H. R. 1946, amending Internal Revenue Code relative to blending of fruit brandies and imposition of an

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additional tax of 30 cents a gallon on such brandy (S. Rept. 403);

S. Res. 120, authorizing Committee on Judiciary to make certain expenditures (S. Rept. 404); and

S. Con. Res. 14, favoring representation of small business on Government policy-making bodies (S. Rept. 405).

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Bills Referred: The following House-passed bills were referred to the committee indicated: H. R. 3993 and H. R. 4031 (Committee on Appropriations). (For passage in House, see Digest, pp. D319 and D323.)

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IRO: Passed S. Con. Res. 21, correcting clerical error in S. J. Res. 77, providing for United States participation in the International Refugee Organization.

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Rereferral: S. 1465 was referred to the Judiciary Committee and the Committee on Labor and Public Welfare was discharged from further consideration.

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Appropriations: Senator Wherry entered a motion to reconsider passage of S. J. Res. 140, providing temporary extension of appropriations beyond June 30 until annual supply bills are enacted.

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Pistols: S. Con. Res. 22, requesting return from the President of H. R. 493, regulating firearms in D. C., was passed. Page 7876

Postal Rates: H. J. Res. 221, to provide for permanent rates on first-class mail, was passed by voice vote. Page 7880

Reorganization: H. Con. Res. 49, disapproving the Reorganization Plan No. 2, placing USES under Dept. of Labor and Wage and Hour under Sec. of Labor, was adopted 42 yeas to 40 nays. (See also pp. D133 and D279.) Pages 7857-7874

State, Justice, Commerce: H. R. 3311 State, Justice, Commerce appropriations bill, was debated, committee amendments were adopted, funds for the State Department were increased by \$400,000, and \$1,800,000 for law clerks for Federal judges was approved—all on motion of Senator Ball. Amendments authorizing OIC program of the State Department were approved and the amendment by Senator Revercomb to increase CAA funds by \$250,000 was defeated by division vote. Debate tomorrow will center on the Federal Airport Program. Pages 7880, 7886-7903

Relief Veto: Presidential veto on S. 423, for the relief of John B. Barton, was received and referred to Committee on the Judiciary. Page 7903

Nominations: The following nominations were received: Lee O. Rayfiel, to be district judge for the eastern district of N. Y.; Harley Hise, to be a member of the board of directors of RFC; and Leo P. Flynn, to be United States attorney for the district of South Dakota; together with 22 appointments in the Foreign Service, and 39 in the Navy. Page 7904

Reports on Committee Meetings

WAR DEPARTMENT

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on H. R. 3678, War Department appropriations bill, concluded hearings on June 28.

GOVERNMENT CORPORATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on H. R. 3756, Government corporations appropriation, heard testimony from representatives of the Federal Farm Mortgage Corporation, and the Regional Agricultural Credit Corporation. On June 28, representatives of Prison Industries, TVA, and Federal Public Housing, were heard.

DOUBLE TAXATION

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on French Double Taxation Treaty (Executive A) heard testimony from Colin F. Stam, Joint Committee on In-

ternal Revenue Taxation, and Eldon King, Deputy Commissioner of Internal Revenue.

Hearings on H. R. 3342, United States Information and Educational Exchange Act of 1947, open before a subcommittee on July 2, and an executive session will be held on July 3.

INSURANCE, NOMINATIONS, AND PRIVATE BILLS

Committee on the Judiciary: In executive session, committee approved S. 1508, to extend until June 30, 1948, duration of act affirming intent of Congress that regulation of the business of insurance should be left to the States; S. Res. 120, to provide \$45,000 additional for Judiciary Committee; and eight private claims bills (H. R. 1658, with amendment, and H. R. 1954, 837, 770, 1513, 2302, 1851, and S. 1043).

Nominations of John M. Moore, to be United States marshal for eastern district of Kentucky, and Otto Kerner, Jr., to be United States attorney for northern district of Illinois, were ordered favorably reported.

CONGRESSIONAL PRIMARY INVESTIGATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee met in executive session to study S. Res. 116, to authorize investigation concerning the failure of the Department of Justice "to act with respect to alleged irregularities in the Democratic primary election held in the Fifth Congressional District of Missouri on August 6, 1946," but made no announcement of action taken.

PUBLIC HEALTH

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee met in executive session to study S. 1454, to amend the Public Health Service Act in regard to certain matters of personnel and administration, and agreed to present the matter to a meeting of the full committee in executive session tomorrow for disposition.

CENTRAL ARIZONA PROJECT

Committee on Public Lands: Raymond Matthew, chief engineer, Colorado River Board of California, testified before Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation against S. 1175, to construct and operate a dam at Bridge Canyon, central Arizona project.

On Saturday, subcommittee also heard opposition testimony to same bill from James H. Howard, general counsel, Metropolitan Water District of Southern California, and Arvin B. Shaw, Jr., assistant attorney general of California. Hearings to be continued.

STREAM POLLUTION

Committee on Public Works: Subcommittee met in executive session on S. 418, to provide for control of stream pollution, but took no action.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Thirty public bills, H. R. 4017-4046; four private bills, H. R. 4047-4050, and one resolution, H. Res. 265, were introduced. Page 7965

Bills Reported: Bills and resolutions were reported as follows:

H. R. 1036, licensing of marine radiotelegraph operators as ships' officers (H. Rept. 736);

H. R. 3323, giving Osage Tribal Council right to determine bonus value of tracts for oil, gas, and other mining purposes on Osage Mineral Reservation, Okla. (H. Rept. 737);

H. R. 2825, authorizing appropriation to aid in development of certain Minnesota public schools, available to both Indian and white children (H. Rept. 738);

H. R. 3322, facilitating rights-of-way through Osage Indian land (H. Rept. 739);

H. R. 3173, relating to restrictions applicable to Indians of the Five Civilized Tribes of Oklahoma (H. Rept. 740);

H. R. 1078, private claim bill (H. Rept. 741);

Disposition of executive papers (H. Repts. 742 and 743);

H. R. 3952, permitting erection of a Federal Reserve Bank branch building (H. Rept. 745);

H. J. Res. 222, termination of consumer credit controls (H. Rept. 746);

H. R. 1810, amending Criminal Code to enable part-time referees in bankruptcy to act as attorneys for claimants against the United States (H. Rept. 747);

H. R. 3690, amending the Federal Tort Claims Act relating to death statutes and decisions in Alabama and Massachusetts (H. Rept. 748);

H. R. 3247, providing authority for certain functions of the Coast and Geodetic Survey (H. Rept. 749);

H. R. 3505, rehabilitation of oyster beds in the States of Mississippi and Louisiana (H. Rept. 750);

H. R. 3541, defining the functions and duties of the Coast and Geodetic Survey (H. Rept. 751); and

H. R. 3598, approval of Pacific-Marine Fisheries Compact (H. Rept. 752). Pages 7964-7965

Rent Control: Heard a message from the President accompanying his approval of H. R. 3203, a bill permitting certain rent increases under extended Federal control, and ending many restrictions on housing construction. Pages 7914-7916

Emergency Powers: Passed S. J. Res. 139, extending title III of the Second War Powers Act and the Export Control Act, to July 15, 1947. Page 7905

IRO: Adopted S. Con. Res. 21, correcting certain clerical errors to S. J. Res. 77, United States participation in the International Refugee Organization. Page 7905

Presidential Succession: The following Senate-passed bill, S. 564, on Presidential succession, was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. (For details in Senate, see Digest, p. D316.) Page 7964

FBI Personnel: Under the suspension of rules, passed S. 715, a bill amending the Civil Service Retirement Act of 1930, to provide annuities of investigatory personnel of 20 years' service in the FBI.

H. R. 2826, a companion bill, was ordered to lie on the table. Pages 7906-7907

Veterans' Pensions: Under the suspension of rules, passed H. R. 3961, providing increases in pension rates of Spanish-American and Civil War veterans and their dependents, by a unanimous vote of 338 yeas. Pages 7907-7910

Mining Claims: Adopted the conference report on H. R. 2369, suspending annual assessment work on mining claims in Alaska. Page 7910

Appropriations: Passed H. R. 4031 (H. Rept. 744), providing temporary extension of appropriations to meet emergencies beyond June 30, until annual supply bills are enacted. Pages 7923-7927

Statehood of Hawaii: Passed and sent to the Senate by a vote of 196 yeas to 133 nays, H. R. 49, a bill admitting the Territory of Hawaii into the Union.

Congressional enactment of this measure would require the Governor of Hawaii to order an election of delegates to draft a State constitution. This would have to be ratified by the Hawaiian people in another election as well as approved by the President. When the President admits the State by proclamation, a third election becomes necessary to select a Governor, two Senators, two Representatives, and other State officials.

H. Res. 212, a special rule granting 4 hours' debate on this bill had been previously adopted. Pages 7916-7923, 7927-7941

UNRRA Liquidation: Passed S. J. Res. 124 (H. Rept. 753), a measure authorizing funds for administrative expenses of United States agencies in connection with the liquidation of UNRRA. Page 7942

Reports on Committee Meetings

SUGAR

Committee on Agriculture: Met in executive session on sugar legislation. Session will be continued.

TERMINAL LEAVE BONDS

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Pay and Administration held hearings on cashing of terminal leave bonds, and heard representatives from the War, Navy, Treasury, and Veterans' Administration. Subcommittee agreed to report a bill (H. R. 4017) providing for the cashing of terminal leave bonds to the full committee on July 1.

Subcommittee on Scientific Research and Development held hearings on H. R. 612, construction of research laboratory for Quartermaster Corps, Boston, Mass. Hearings will be continued.

D. C. HOME RULE

Committee on the District of Columbia: Subcommittee on Home Rule and Reorganization met and heard Chairman Dirksen; Representative McCormack; John Russell Young, President, Board of Commissioners; and Vernon West, Corporation Counsel, on the general relationship of Federal and District Governments.

MINIMUM WAGE

Committee on Education and Labor: Held hearings on H. R. 3886, minimum wage rate changes, and heard Representative Schwabe; John Lawrence, American Trucking Association, both of whom testified in opposition to the bill; and Representative Price, who testified in favor of the bill. Hearings to be continued.

NATIONAL SECURITY ACT OF 1947

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Continued hearings on H. R. 2319, National Security Act of 1947, and heard John Dwight Sullivan, American Legion; Gen. Lauris Norstad, both of whom testified in favor of the bill; Representative Cole of New York; Rear Admiral Ralph A. Ofstie, Admiral J. H. Towers, and Capt. Walter Karig, all of the United States Navy, who testified in opposition to the bill.

June 28, met in executive session on H. R. 2319, National Security Act of 1947.

UNRRA LIQUIDATION

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Met in executive session and ordered favorably reported S. J. Res. 124, UNRRA liquidation expenses. Considered H. J. Res. 161, World Health Organization bill, and also considered H. R. 3726, claims of foreign service officers and employees.

CARRIER AGREEMENTS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Concluded hearings on H. R. 221 and S. 110, agreement between carriers (Bulwinkle bill), and heard Arne C. Wiprud, Washington, D. C., formerly assistant to the Attorney General.

Met in executive session to consider enemy property legislation.

EMERGENCY POWERS—IMMIGRATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 4 met in executive session to give further consideration to the termination of certain war and emergency statutes.

Subcommittee on Immigration and Naturalization held hearings on H. R. 1118 and H. R. 2286, to amend the Nationality Act, and heard Representative Dolliver; Abraham Rockmore, representing the Hebrew Immigrant Aid Society; Julien Cornell, of Friends Committee on National Legislation; Robert Ziegler, of Brethren Service Committee; Mr. Sinouker, of the Mennonite Central Committee; and Mrs. Alexander Steward, of International Women's Organization for Peace and Freedom. H. R. 2286 was ordered favorably reported to the full committee.

The subcommittee also considered H. R. 3953, to amend the immigration laws relating to stowaways.

INDIANS—PUBLIC LANDS

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Indian Affairs held hearings on various Indian bills and heard Wm. Zimmerman, Acting Commissioner, Office of Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior; Glenn Wilkinson, attorney for the Klamath Tribe; and Wade Crawford, delegate for the Klamath Indian Tribe, on H. R. 2501, penalizing maliciously killing, injuring, etc., livestock belonging to the Klamath Tribes on the Klamath Reservation. Wade Crawford, delegate of Klamath Indian Tribe, also testified on H. R. 3431, removing restrictions on property of members of the Klamath and Modoc Tribes and Yahooskin Band of Snakes having rights on the Klamath Reservation in Oregon.

Subcommittee on Public Lands met in executive session and ordered favorably reported to the full committee the following bills: H. R. 3971, to increase size of isolated tracts which may be sold; H. R. 2645, appointment United States Commissioners in Olympic, Isle Royale, Hawaii, Mammoth Cave National Parks; H. R. 3684, to add revested Oregon-California Railroad grant lands to Silver Creek recreational demonstration project; H. R. 3703, transfer surplus real property to National Park Service; and H. R. 1710, authorize survey of Mississippi River Parkway.

HYDROELECTRIC POWER—PUBLIC BUILDINGS

Committee on Public Works: Resumed hearings on H. R. 3036, transfer of jurisdiction over certain power projects, and heard Clyde Ellis, National Rural Electric Cooperative Association; and Col. P. A. Feringa, Assistant Chief of Engineers for Civil Works. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

Subcommittee on Public Buildings and Grounds met in executive session and ordered favorably reported H. R.

3862, erection of an additional annex to the present courthouse in Norristown, Pa.

TAX REVISION—VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS

Committee on Ways and Means: Continued hearings on general tax revision and heard Dr. Willford I. King, Committee for Constitutional Government, New York, N. Y., who discussed and recommended changes in fundamental principles of taxation; E. W. Tinker, executive secretary, American Paper & Pulp Association, New York, N. Y., who urged amending tax laws with respect to reforestation; Sidney B. Gambill, of Reed, Smith, Shaw & McClay, Pittsburgh, Pa.; and Godfrey L. Hunter, of Hunter, Smith & Neville, Washington, D. C., both of whom discussed and recommended changes with respect to earned income over a period of years.

Met in executive session and ordered favorably reported H. R. 4011, to amend section 1602 of the Federal Unemployment Tax Act to permit voluntary contributions to be used in computation of reduced rates in certain cases.

REPORT ON JOINT COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Conferees on H. R. 2700, Labor-Federal Security appropriations, held their third meeting, and are scheduled to meet again tonight.

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed State, Justice, Commerce appropriations and blanketed appropriations extension and debated the Dooley nomination.

House passed 30 Private Calendar bills and completed general debate on War Department civil functions appropriations bill for 1948.

Postmaster nominations, Civil Service bills, and measures on international affairs were approved by Senate groups.

Bills on terminal-leave bonds, Foreign Service claims, Philippine War damages, patents, mineral resources, war claims, and veterans ordered reported to House.

See tables on résumé on Congressional activity and status of appropriations.

Senate**Chamber Action**

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Bills Introduced: Eight bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1538-1545; S. Res. 138, 139.

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BILLS SIGNED BY THE PRESIDENT

(New Laws)

(For last listing of Public Laws, see p. D320)

S. 751, to continue D. C. day-care centers to June 30, 1948. Signed June 27, 1947 (P. L. 123);

H. R. 3372, authorizing certain agreements with respect to helium-bearing gas lands. Signed June 27, 1947 (P. L. 124);

S. J. Res. 125, to provide for the maintenance of a domestic tin-smelting industry. Signed June 28, 1947 (P. L. 125);

H. R. 3398, to extend the period of admission of alien fiancés or fiancées. Signed June 28, 1947 (P. L. 126);

H. R. 3911, continuing the authority of the Maritime Commission over tankers until March 1, 1948. Signed June 28, 1947 (P. L. 127);

H. R. 3303, a bill to stimulate enlistments in the Regular Military Establishment. Signed June 28, 1947 (P. L. 128);

H. R. 3203, to provide for the continuation of rent control. Signed June 30, 1947 (P. L. 129);

S. 350, to extend the Commodity Credit Corporation to June 30, 1948. Signed June 30, 1947 (P. L. 130);

S. 1072, to extend until July 1, 1949, the period during which income from agricultural labor and nursing service may be disregarded in making old-age assistance payments. Signed June 30, 1947 (P. L. 131); and

S. J. Res. 135, to extend the RFC until June 30, 1948. Signed June 30, 1947 (P. L. 132).

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Bills Reported: Bills were reported as follows:

Report from Committee on the Judiciary on termination of war controls and indicating how such provisions are affected by S. J. Res. 123 (part 2, S. Rept. 339);

H. R. 3861, to allow newly chartered railroads, having been in bankruptcy, benefits of their predecessor's carry-overs (S. Rept. 406);

S. 1508, to extend until June 30, 1948, duration of act affirming intent of Congress that regulation of the business of insurance should be left to the States (S. Rept. 407);

H. R. 770, private relief bill (S. Rept. 408). Page 7968

Bills Referred: The following House-passed bills were referred to the committees indicated: H. R. 49 (Committee on Public Lands) and H. R. 3961 (Committee on Finance). (For passage in House, see Digest, p. D323.) Page 7969

State, Justice, Commerce Appropriations: By voice vote passed H. R. 3311, State, Justice, Commerce appropriations bill, carrying a total of \$553,595,932. A conference was asked of the House and the following conferees appointed: Senators Ball, Bridges, Wherry, Hick-enlooper, McCarran, McKellar, and Tydings.

Earlier the Senate agreed to an amendment increasing the funds for the Weather Bureau by \$52,000, to provide a weather station in the State of Washington; defeated 38 yeas to 39 nays amendment of Senator Lucas to increase by \$32,500,000 the appropriation for the Federal airport program; and rejected 39 yeas to 43 nays amendment of Senator Lucas to set the appropriation for the program just mentioned at \$50,000,000. Pages 7972-7982

Emergency Appropriation: H. R. 4031, providing temporary extension of appropriations beyond June 30, until annual supply bills are enacted, was passed after adoption of committee amendment (language of S. J. Res. 140, see p. D317). A conference was asked of the House and the following conferees appointed: Senators Bridges, Ball, Wherry, Cordon, McKellar, Hayden, and Thomas of Oklahoma. Page 7984

Dooley Nomination: Debated nomination of Joe B. Dooley, to be United States district judge for the northern district of Texas. Pages 7986-8001

Whaling: A convention and two protocols (Executive L, K, and P) on the regulation of whaling were reported (Executive Report No. 6). Page 7985

Confirmations: The following nominations were confirmed: Francisco Corneiro, to be district attorney of the Virgin Islands; F. Clyde Keefe, to be Collector of Internal Revenue, New Hampshire; Harry M. Brennan, Collector of Customs at Louisville; Otto Kerner, Jr., United States attorney for the northern district of Illinois; John M. Moore, United States marshal for the eastern district of Kentucky; and James W. Lauderdale, D. C. Public Utilities Commission; together with 2 appointments in the Public Health Service, 2 in the Coast and Geodetic Survey, 25 in the Diplomatic and Foreign Service, and 135 postmasters. Pages 8009-8010

Reports on Committee Meetings

EMERGENCY APPROPRIATION

Committee on Appropriations: In executive session, agreed to amend H. R. 4031, emergency appropriation bill, by inserting language of S. J. Res. 140, approved by Senate June 27. The bill was later passed by the Senate.

WAR DEPARTMENT

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on H. R. 3678, War Department appropriations bill, began "marking up" the bill.

ARMY-NAVY PROCUREMENT

Committee on Armed Services: Committee met to study H. R. 1366, Army and Navy procurement bill, and received testimony from Assistant Secretary of Navy W. John Kenney; Under Secretary of War Kenneth C. Royall; Lt. Gen. Hoyt S. Vandenberg, of the AAF; Arthur D. Condon, Military and Naval Distributors Assn.; and H. T. Austern, National Cannery Assn. Committee meets again July 2.

POSTMASTERS AND CIVIL SERVICE BILLS

Committee on Civil Service: The nominations of 113 postmasters were considered, of which 92 were confirmed, and further investigation ordered on 21 others.

The following bills were approved: H. R. 3075, to pay overtime compensation to persons in postal field service; S. 995 and S. 1324, to extend Civil Service Retirement Act to employees of the Columbia Institution for the Deaf, and the National Library for the Blind, respectively; S. 999, to amend the Veterans' Preference Act with respect to Federal employment of disabled veterans, amended; S. 1486, to pay salaries for period of separation from Government service to persons improperly removed; S. 1497, to collect statistics on seeds and oils; and S. 339, private bill.

The following bills were ordered reported adversely: S. 330, to provide retirement of persons who have had 25 years of service, and involuntarily separated, under Civil Service Retirement Act; S. 1139, to establish in the classified civil-service a mechanical service; and S. 469, a private bill, was rejected.

Further hearings were ordered on S. 1015, to reduce interest rates on postal savings accounts from 2 to 1 percent; and S. 1381, to include employees of national farm loan associations under the civil service retirement system, was referred to subcommittee for study.

Further consideration of S. 77, to accord 5-year retirement credit to employees of the USES while under Federal Government, was deferred.

INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS

Committee on Foreign Relations: The following resolutions were ordered reported favorably:

S. J. Res. 98, to provide United States membership in the World Health Organization;

S. J. Res. 46, Rio Grande border fence; and Anglo-American oil agreements (Executive H, 79th) (with reservations).

Nominations of Ellis O. Briggs, to be Ambassador to Uruguay, and Chas. E. Saltzman, to be an Asst. Sec. of State, were approved.

NATURAL GAS ACT

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee received opposition testimony on S. 734, to amend the Natural Gas Act, from Anne X. Alpern, Conference of United States Mayors and National Institute of Municipal Law Offices; and T. J. McGrath, National Coal Assn.

SOLICITOR GENERAL

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee heard supporting testimony in behalf of the nomination of Philip B. Perlman, to be Solicitor General for the United States

from Perlman himself, ex-Mayor of Baltimore Theodore R. McKeldin, and Simon E. Sobeloff, city solicitor for Baltimore. Hearings continue July 8.

PUBLIC HEALTH

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: In executive session, the following two bills were approved: S. 176, to aid in coordinating research relating to dental diseases and conditions and to establish a National Institute of Dental Research; and S. 1454, to amend the Public Health Service Act in regard to certain matters of personnel and administration, with amendment.

CENTRAL ARIZONA PROJECT

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation heard opposition testimony to S. 1175, to construct and operate a dam at Bridge Canyon, central Arizona project, from C. C. Elder and William S. Peterson, both of Los Angeles; and David A. Johnson, Bapchule, Ariz., representing Gila Indian Reservation, discussed the bill generally. Hearings continue tomorrow.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Twelve public bills, H. R. 4051-4062; two private bills, H. R. 4063 and 4064; and one resolution, H. Res. 266, were introduced. Page 8055

Bills Reported: Bills were reported as follows:

H. R. 3726, reimbursing employees of the United States Foreign Service for losses of personal property due to war conditions (H. Rept. 754);

H. R. 1602, establishing a National Mineral Resources Division within the Department of the Interior (H. Rept. 755);

H. R. 2273, amending act of May 29, 1944, providing for recognition of services of employees engaged in construction of Panama Canal (H. Rept. 756);

H. R. 3958, extending temporarily the time for filing patent applications and for taking action in the United States Patent Office with respect thereto (H. Rept. 757);

S. 1020, amending Philippine Rehabilitation Act, relating to restoration of lost or damaged property of Americans and Filipinos (H. Rept. 758);

H. R. 4011, amending Federal Unemployment Tax Act, relative to merit ratings and credits, in conformance to State laws (H. Rept. 759); and

Conference report on H. R. 2700, supplying appropriations to the Labor Department and FSA for fiscal 1948 (H. Rept. 760). Pages 8054, 8055

Firearms: Passed S. Con. Res. 22, requesting return from the President of H. R. 493, providing D. C. Police with certain authorities in cases of concealed weapons. Page 8012

Private Bill: House insists on its amendments to S. 254, a private claim bill, and agrees to conference asked by Senate. Representatives Jennings, Reeves, and Cravens were appointed as House conferees. Pages 8016-8017

Private Calendar: Considered private claims bills on the Private Calendar and took the following action—

Passed without amendment: H. R. 405, 650, 1930, 2507, 2511, and 2886, and S. 53, 394, 396, 397, 398, and 399.

Passed, amended: H. R. 406, 629, 642, 928, 990, 1492, 1498, 1502, 1535, 1670, 1726, 1736, 2062, 2390, 2550, and 2885, and S. 116 and 395.

Passed over without prejudice: H. R. 718, 1078, and 2268.

Objected to, and recommitted: H. R. 1296.

S. 398 was passed in lieu of H. R. 1148, a companion bill, which was ordered to "lie on the table." Pages 8017-8022

Labor-FSA: Representative Taber was appointed to replace Representative H. Carl Andersen, as a conferee on H. R. 2700, Labor-FSA appropriation bill for 1948. Page 8010

Order of Business: Agreed to dispense with Calendar Wednesday business of Wednesday, July 2. Page 8054

Civil Functions, War Dept.: Completed all general debate on H. R. 4002, appropriation bill for civil functions of the War Department in 1948, and began consideration of the bill for amendment. It will be resumed Wednesday, July 2.

This measure carries \$339,186,869, recommended by the Committee on Appropriations, to supply the six civil functions of the War Department, namely, cemeterial expenses, Alaska communication system, rivers and harbors, flood control, United States Soldiers' Home (Washington, D. C.), and the Panama Canal. This committee figure reduces by \$43,540,231 the estimate of the Budget Bureau for 1948 but is \$7,352,619 above the amount appropriated in 1947 for the same operations.

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Reports on Committee Meetings

SUGAR

Committee on Agriculture: Met in executive session on sugar legislation. Session will be continued.

TERMINAL LEAVE BONDS

Committee on Armed Services: Full committee met and ordered favorably reported to the House, H. R. 4017, a bill providing for cashing of terminal leave bonds, and H. R. 3314, Navy public works bill.

FDIC STOCK

Committee on Banking and Currency: Met on S. 1070, cancellation of Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation's stock and subscriptions and refund of moneys received therefrom, and heard H. E. Cook, Director of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, testify in favor of the bill. Hearings to be continued.

MINIMUM WAGE—ST. ELIZABETHS HOSPITAL

Committee on Education and Labor: Subcommittee No. 4, Wages and Hours of Labor, met on H. R. 3886, minimum wage rate changes, and heard Representatives Brown (Conn.) and McCormack; and Charles E. Sands, Hotel, Restaurant Employees and Bartenders Union, all of whom testified in favor of the measure. Hearing to be continued.

Subcommittee No. 2, Institutions, met on H. R. 3870, authorizing certain expenditures from the appropriation of St. Elizabeths Hospital, and heard Dr. Winfred

Overholser, Superintendent of St. Elizabeths Hospital, testify in favor of the legislation. The bill was ordered favorably reported to full committee with amendments.

NATIONAL SECURITY ACT OF 1947

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Met on H. R. 2319, National Security Act of 1947, and heard Vice Admiral Gerald F. Bogan, USN; Capt. J. G. Crommelin, USN; Admiral J. J. Clark, USN; all of whom testified against the proposed legislation, especially against a separate force. Hearing to be continued.

FOREIGN SERVICE CLAIMS—PHILIPPINE WAR DAMAGES

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Committee met in executive session and voted to report favorably to the House H. R. 3726, claims of certain Foreign Service officers and employees, without amendment; and S. 1020, creating a Philippine War Damage Commission, with amendments. Committee resumes public hearings on H. R. 3836, Inter-American Military Cooperation Act July 2.

ANTI-POLL TAX

Committee on House Administration: Subcommittee on Elections met on various anti-poll-tax bills and heard Representative Bender; Sylvia Wubnig, National League of Women Shoppers; John Locke Greene, treasurer, Arlington County; Shad Polier, vice president, American Jewish Congress, all of whom testified in favor of the proposed legislation.

PETROLEUM—WAR CLAIMS—NATURAL GAS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Met in public hearing on petroleum situation and heard Max W. Ball, Director, Oil and Gas Division, Department of the Interior, and J. W. Boatwright, Standard Oil Co. of Indiana, Chicago, Ill.

In executive session the full committee voted to report favorably as amended, H. R. 4044, to create a War Claims Commission, and H. R. 4051, amending the Natural Gas Act.

REVIEW OF GOVT. ORDERS—PATENTS

Committee on the Judiciary: Full committee met in executive session and ordered favorably reported to the House, with amendments, the following bills: H. R. 1468, to provide for the review of certain orders of the

Interstate Commerce Commission, and the United States Maritime Commission, and giving the United States courts of appeals jurisdiction on review to enjoin, set aside, or suspend such orders; H. R. 1470, to provide for the review of orders of the Federal Communications Commission and of certain orders of the Secretary of Agriculture made under the Packers and Stockyards Act, 1921, as amended, and the Perishable Agricultural Commodities Act, 1930, as amended; H. R. 3958, to extend temporarily the time for filing applications for patents and for taking action in the United States Patent Office with respect thereto (extension until Feb. 29, 1948, of Public Law 690 of the 79th Cong.). Also, the committee ordered favorably reported to the House 4 private immigration bills and 17 private claims bills. Three private claims bills were tabled. Hearing to be continued.

RUSSIAN OIL

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Full committee met in executive session on foreign export of gasoline and oil and heard Admiral W. W. Smith and Irwin Heinie, of the Maritime Commission; Henry Sweet, Bureau of Customs; and J. Edward Ely, Census Bureau. The meeting of the Subcommittee on Conservation of Wildlife Resources originally scheduled for July 1 was postponed until July 2.

RURAL CARRIERS

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Cole of Missouri subcommittee met in executive session on H. R. 1186, H. R. 1187, and H. R. 1189, rural carrier bills. H. R. 1186 was ordered reported favorably to full committee with amendment. H. R. 1189 was ordered reported favorably to full committee without amendment.

MINERAL RESOURCES DIVISION

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Mines and Mining met on H. R. 1602, to create within the Office of the Secretary of the Interior a National Mineral Resources Division. Ordered bill favorably reported to full committee as amended.

Subcommittee on Indian Affairs met on various bills and heard William Zimmerman, Office of Indian Affairs, and Representative Case. The following bills were ordered favorably reported to the full committee: S. 484, patent in fee to Joseph J. Packett; S. 30, authorizes the Secretary of the Interior to issue patents for lands in the Pyramid Lake Indian Reservation, Nev.; S. 403, authorizes the issuance of a patent in fee to Gideon Peon;

H. R. 3696, authorizing the issuance of a patent in fee to Daniel Broken Leg.

Subcommittee on Public Lands met on various bills and heard Representative Bennett of Missouri and Kenneth Miller, attorney at law. The following bills were ordered reported favorably to the full committee: H. R. 3416, providing for the establishment of the Pensacola National Monument in Escambia County, Fla.; H. R. 2096, relating to Mammoth National Park, Ky.; and H. R. 185, authorizing the sale of certain public lands in Alaska to the Catholic Bishop of Alaska, in trust for the Roman Catholic Church.

Full committee met in executive session and ordered favorably reported to the House, H. R. 1602, to establish within the Department of the Interior a National Minerals Resources Division, and H. Res. 244, for the initiation of investigations looking to the provision of additional water for southern California and the Colorado River Basin.

HYDROELECTRIC POWER

Committee on Public Works: Met on H. R. 3036, transfer of jurisdiction over certain power projects, and heard Col. P. A. Feringa, Assistant Chief of Engineers for Civil Works; and Col. F. W. Scheidenhelm, consulting engineer, New York City. Hearing to be continued.

The committee today announced public hearings on H. J. Res. 192 and H. J. Res. 194, approving agreement between United States and Canada relating to the Great Lakes-St. Lawrence Waterway, to start on July 14.

VETERANS

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Full committee met in executive session and after considering several measures ordered H. R. 3889, amending Veterans Regulation to establish a presumption of service connection for chronic and tropical diseases, and H. R. 4007, authorizing payments by the Administrator of Veterans' Affairs on the purchase of automobiles by certain disabled veterans; favorably reported to the House.

TAX REVISION

Committee on Ways and Means: Met on general tax revision and heard Harold V. Bozell, Independent Telephone Companies Association, Washington, D. C.; Frank Wilbur Main and M. C. Conick, certified public accountants, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Edward Durell, president, Union Fork & Hoe Co., Columbus, Ohio, representing the National Association of State Chambers of Com-

merce, all of whom recommended general corporation tax revisions.

The committee met in executive session on H. R. 4013, to terminate certain miscellaneous temporary revenue provisions (emergency legislation), and agreed to introduce a clean bill embodying certain clarifying amendments.

REPORT ON JOINT COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Conferees on H. R. 2700, Labor-Federal Security appropriations bill, reached agreement and filed a report (H. Rept. 760).

Conferees on H. R. 3493, Navy Department appropriation bill, held first session but failed to reach agreement. They meet again July 2.

ATOMIC ENERGY

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Following members of Military Liaison Committee to Atomic Energy Commission met in executive session with committee to assist in indoctrination of its members on developments since first of the year: Lt. Gen. Lewis H. Brereton, Chairman; Col. John H. Hinds; Rear Admiral Thorvald A. Solberg; Rear Admiral Ralph A. Ofstie; and Commander F. L. Ashworth, Secretary. The present organization of the Military Liaison Committee and its operations, application of provisions of the Atomic Energy Act of 1946, as applied to the committee, need for additional legislation, and the physical location of the Military Liaison Committee were subjects of discussion.

BILLS SIGNED BY THE PRESIDENT

(New Laws)

(For last listing of Public Laws, see p. D325)

H. J. Res. 167, to authorize certificates of separation to uncompensated personnel of Selective Service System. Signed June 30, 1947 (P. L. 133);

H. R. 1362, to count temporary appointments in Navy or Marine Corps for promotion. Signed June 30, 1947 (P. L. 134);

H. R. 1807, land easement to naval depot at McAlester, Okla. Signed June 30, 1947 (P. L. 135);

H. R. 2339, to repeal law providing additional compensation for Army mail clerks. Signed June 30, 1947 (P. L. 136);

H. R. 2411, patenting of certain land in Clallam County, Wash., for hospital purposes. Signed June 30, 1947 (P. L. 137);

H. R. 2545, to provide funds for construction of school building in Moclips, Wash. Signed June 30, 1947 (P. L. 138);

H. R. 2654, to authorize the Secretary of the Treasury to grant an easement to Baltimore, Md. Signed June 30, 1947 (P. L. 139);

H. R. 2655, to grant an easement to Baltimore, Md., for two subterranean water mains. Signed June 30, 1947 (P. L. 140);

H. R. 3124, authorizing attendance of Marine Band at GAR National Encampment. Signed June 30, 1947 (P. L. 141);

H. R. 2369, to suspend annual assessment work on mining claims in Alaska. Signed June 30, 1947 (P. L. 142);

H. R. 3769, to amend the Bankruptcy Act with respect to part-time referees. Signed June 30, 1947 (P. L. 143);

H. J. Res. 221, to provide for permanent rates on first-class mail. Signed June 30, 1947 (P. L. 144);

S. J. Res. 139, which extends title III of the Second War Powers Act and the Export Control Act to July 15, 1947. Signed June 30, 1947 (P. L. 145);

S. J. Res. 77, providing for United States participation in the International Refugee Organization. Signed July 1, 1947 (P. L. 146);

H. R. 2436, Treasury-Post Office appropriations bill. Signed July 1, 1947 (P. L. 147);

H. R. 577, to preserve historic graveyards in abandoned military posts. Signed July 1, 1947 (P. L. 148);

H. R. 1358, to amend the act governing the operation of naval plantations. Signed July 1, 1947 (P. L. 149);

H. R. 1371, to authorize the appointment of supply officers in the Marine Corps. Signed July 1, 1947 (P. L. 150);

H. R. 1376, relating to transportation of dependents and household effects of servicemen. Signed July 1, 1947 (P. L. 151);

H. R. 1628, to give certain land rights to Illinois. Signed July 1, 1947 (P. L. 152);

H. R. 1845, relating to military leave of Federal and D. C. employees. Signed July 1, 1947 (P. L. 153);

H. R. 1997, to provide seniority benefits for certain D. C. police officers. Signed July 1, 1947 (P. L. 154);

H. R. 2237, to correct an error relating to naturalization court fees. Signed July 1, 1947 (P. L. 155);

H. J. Res. 193, to permit the erection of a building for the American Red Cross in the District of Columbia. Signed July 1, 1947 (P. L. 156); and

S. J. Res. 113, authorizing memorial in D. C. to Marine Corps dead. Signed July 1, 1947 (P. L. 157).

Résumé of Congressional Activity

The following are tables on nominations and legislative activity, run monthly in the DAILY DIGEST.

The first table accounts for all nominations submitted to the Senate by the President for Senate confirmation, a total of 26,970 having been received, of which 25,627 have been confirmed, as set forth below.

The second table gives a comprehensive résumé of all legislative business transacted by the House and Senate during this session, January 3, 1947, through June 30, 1947.

DISPOSITION OF EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS THROUGH JUNE 30, 1947

Postmaster nominations, totaling 970, disposed of as follows:

Confirmed.....	None
Withdrawn.....	115
Rejected.....	None
Unconfirmed.....	855

Army nominations, totaling 14,719, disposed of as follows:

Confirmed.....	14,608
Withdrawn.....	10
Rejected.....	None
Unconfirmed.....	101

Navy nominations, totaling 9,711, disposed of as follows:

Confirmed.....	9,584
Withdrawn.....	None
Rejected.....	None
Unconfirmed.....	127

Marine Corps nominations, totaling 620, disposed of as follows:

Confirmed.....	613
Withdrawn.....	None
Rejected.....	None
Unconfirmed.....	7

Civilian nominations other than postmasters, totaling 950, disposed of as follows:

Confirmed.....	822
Withdrawn.....	3
Rejected.....	None
Unconfirmed.....	125

Summary

Total nominations received.....	26,970
Total rejected.....	None
Total withdrawn.....	128
Total unconfirmed.....	1,215
Total confirmed.....	25,627

DATA ON LEGISLATIVE ACTIVITY

January 3 through June 30

	Senate	House	Total
Days in session.....	106	106	..
Time in session.....	575 hrs., 12'	459 hrs., 16'	..
Average length of each day's session.....	5.4 hrs.	4.3 hrs.	..
Congressional Record:			
Pages of proceedings.....	4,264	3,862	8,126
Appendix.....	..	..	3,450
Public bills enacted into law..	52	93	145
Private bills enacted into law..	16	23	39
Average number of days to enactment of each bill, from introduction to President's signature.....	..	..	81
Bills in conference.....	..	..	6
Bills through conference.....	..	..	23
Measures passed, total.....	391	573	..
Senate bills.....	140	159	..
House bills.....	128	320	..
Senate joint resolutions..	29	118	..
House joint resolutions..	21	23	..
Senate concurrent resolutions.....	5	4	..
House concurrent resolutions.....	9	11	..
Simple resolutions.....	59	138	197
Measures reported, total.....	*491	701	..
Senate bills.....	210	51	..
House bills.....	147	492	..
Senate joint resolutions..	30	10	..
House joint resolutions..	22	36	..
Senate concurrent resolutions.....	9	1	..
House concurrent resolutions.....	10	8	..
Simple resolutions.....	63	103	166
Special reports.....	13	34	..
Conference reports.....	..	..	18
Reported measures not acted on.....	**91	**164	..
Bills defeated.....	0	1	..
Measures introduced, total..	1,835	4,595	6,430
Bills.....	1,537	4,050	5,587
Joint resolutions.....	140	224	364
Concurrent resolutions..	21	56	77
Simple resolutions.....	137	265	402
Quorum calls.....	232	41	273
Yea-and-nay votes.....	91	56	147

*These figures on measures reported include all placed on calendar or acted on by Senate even if there was no accompanying report. A total of 405 reports has been filed in the Senate; a total of 753 has been filed in the House.

**This figure does not agree with the total difference between bills reported and bills passed, because resolutions and bills placed on the House Calendar without having been formally reported were not included in figures of measures reported to the House; the difference in the case of Senate figures is due to uncounted bills "laid on the table" or "indefinitely postponed."

†Twenty-five Senate bills and five Senate Joint Resolutions were passed in lieu of companion House measures, which were "laid on the table."

Bill No.	Title	Budget estimates	House			Senate			Public law				
			Date reported	Amount as reported	Date passed	Amount as passed	Date reported	Amount as reported	Date passed	Amount as passed	Date approved	Amount as approved	Law No.
H. R. 1968	Urgent deficiency, 1947. Rescission—Cash. Contracts.	\$179,319,100 564,217,844 132,000,000	Feb. 17	\$139,360,000 574,148,579 132,000,000	Feb. 18	\$139,360,000 574,148,579 132,000,000	Feb. 28	\$180,966,231 565,461,151 132,000,000	Mar. 5	\$181,406,231 565,461,151 132,000,000	Mar. 22	\$179,645,668 567,461,151 132,000,000	20
H. R. 2436	Treasury-Post Office, 1948. Treasury. Post Office.	4,099,123,500 2,554,034,250 1,545,089,250	Mar. 7	3,202,050,750 1,671,517,500 1,550,733,250	Mar. 11	3,202,050,750 1,671,517,500 1,550,733,250	May 26	3,243,045,173 1,710,506,523 1,532,538,650	June 2	3,243,045,173 1,710,506,523 1,532,538,650	.....	3,216,509,450 1,684,848,400 1,531,661,050	.....
H. R. 2700	Labor-Federal Security, 1948. Labor. F. S. A. Related agencies.	1,779,614,039 103,578,700 976,370,339 699,665,000	Mar. 21	1,685,586,780 90,864,200 899,045,180 695,677,400	Mar. 25	1,684,586,780 89,864,200 899,045,180 695,677,400	Apr. 28	1,676,198,080 79,862,900 899,688,080 696,647,100	May 5	1,676,198,080 79,862,900 899,688,080 696,647,100	.....	.....	.....
H. J. Res. 159	To supply deficiencies.	243,610,987	Mar. 26	243,255,607	Mar. 26	243,255,607	Mar. 27	243,255,607	Mar. 28	243,255,607	Mar. 29	243,255,607	25
H. R. 2849	First deficiency.	3,106,566,789	Mar. 28	2,471,498,548	Apr. 1	2,827,526,186	Apr. 21	2,832,180,266	Apr. 24	2,835,199,009	May 1	2,835,161,509	46
H. J. Res. 154	Hoof-and-mouth disease.	9,000,000	Mar. 21	9,000,000	Mar. 21	9,000,000	Mar. 24	9,000,000	Mar. 25	9,000,000	Mar. 27	9,000,000	22
H. R. 3123	Interior Department, 1948.	296,135,420	Apr. 21	156,538,513	Apr. 25	161,413,513	June 13	215,530,353	June 16	215,530,353	.....	.....	.....
H. R. 3245	Second deficiency, 1947.	139,528,414	Apr. 29	95,478,658	May 2	95,478,658	May 15	135,418,858	May 16	135,418,858	May 26	117,438,858	76
H. R. 3311	State-Justice-Commerce, 1948. State. Justice. Commerce. Judiciary.	698,788,888 279,699,268 111,470,000 286,989,000 20,630,320	May 5	535,728,008 219,128,058 108,396,500 191,057,000 17,146,450	May 15	538,976,492 219,128,058 108,396,500 194,305,484 17,146,450	June 24	551,343,932 234,324,703 107,438,230 192,332,834 17,248,165	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
H. R. 3493	Navy, 1948.	3,513,000,300	May 16	3,135,481,100	May 20	3,135,481,100	June 23	3,312,044,300	June 24	3,312,044,300	.....	.....	.....
H. R. 3601	Agriculture, 1948.	805,141,608	May 23	569,713,866	May 28	572,172,266	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
H. R. 3678	Military, 1948.	5,716,791,500	May 29	5,240,982,423	June 5	5,280,982,423	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
H. R. 3756	Government Corporations.	56,497,250	June 9	41,649,700	June 11	41,649,700	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
H. R. 3791	Second Urgent Deficiency.	61,778,757	June 11	58,856,257	June 12	70,856,257	June 20	72,236,257	June 23	72,236,257	June 27	72,236,257	122
H. R. 3839	Independent Offices.	8,498,409,759	June 13	8,107,869,027	June 18	8,167,869,027	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
H. R. 3993	Legislative.	76,153,077	June 26	54,907,505	June 27	54,895,005	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
H. R. 4002	War-Civil Functions.	382,727,100	June 27	339,186,869	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....

Wednesday, July 2, 1947

HIGHLIGHTS

Labor-Federal Security and blanket appropriations bills cleared for President.
Senate agreed to vote on Dooley nomination.
House passed War Department civil functions appropriations bill for 1948.
Bills on veterans, Federal aid, coal-mine safety, and Puerto Rico approved by Senate groups.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 8083-8087.

Bills Introduced: Nineteen bills and three resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1546-S. 1564; S. J. Res. 141, 142; and S. Res. 140.

Pages 8085-8086, 8086-8087, 8105

Bills Reported: Bills and resolutions were reported as follows:

Seven private relief bills: S. 1043, H. R. 837, 1851, 1658, 1954, 1513, and 2302 (S. Repts. 409-413, 415, and 416, respectively);

S. 1486, to pay salaries for period of separation from Government service to persons improperly removed (S. Rept. 414);

S. 697, payment of overtime compensation to supervisory employees in the field postal service (S. Rept. 417);

S. 1391, providing a 3-year extension for veterans amputee auto program (S. Rept. 418);

S. 1393, increasing ceiling for on-the-job training for veterans (S. Rept. 419);

S. 1394, to increase the subsistence payments to veterans under the education program (S. Rept. 420);

S. J. Res. 98, to provide United States membership in the World Health Organization (S. Rept. 421); and

H. R. 3309, to permit Puerto Rico to elect, and outline authority of, governor (S. Rept. 422). Pages 8084-8085

Bills Referred: The following House-passed bills were referred to the committees indicated: H. R. 405, 406, 629, 642, 650, 928, 990, 1492, 1498, 1502, 1535, 1670, 1726, 1736, 1930, 2062, 2390, 2507, and 2550 (Committee on the Judiciary); H. R. 2511 (Committee on Agriculture and Forestry); and H. R. 2885 and 2886 (Committee on Public Lands). (For passage in House, see Digest, p. D327.)

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UN: The President sent to both Houses an agreement between the United States and UN concerning control and administration of UN Headquarters in New York City, which was referred to Foreign Relations and Foreign Affairs Committees, respectively.

Pages 8087-8088

Dooley Nomination: Nomination of Joe B. Dooley, to be United States district judge for the northern district of Texas, was debated, and by unanimous consent it was agreed to vote at 4 p. m., July 8, on confirmation.

Pages 8056-8071, 8103

Labor-Federal Security: Senate agreed to conference report (H. Rept. 760) on H. R. 2700, Labor-Federal Security appropriations bill, thus clearing the bill for President.

Pages 8088-8089

Emergency Appropriation: Conference report was adopted on H. R. 4031, providing temporary extension of appropriations beyond June 30, until annual supply bills are enacted.

Pages 8089-8091

Whaling: A convention and two protocols for the regulation of whaling (Executive L, K, and P) were ratified.

Pages 8071-8081

Joseph Conrad: H. R. 3333, authorizing transfer of the ship *Joseph Conrad* to the Marine Historical Association, was passed.

Pages 8102-8103

Confirmations: Following nominations were confirmed: Charles E. Saltzman, to be an Asst. Sec. of State; Ellis O. Briggs, to be Ambassador to Uruguay; together with 25 nominations in the Diplomatic and Foreign Service, and 91 postmasters.

Pages 8129-8130

Nominations: Approximately 2,000 appointments in the Army were received.

Pages 8108-8130

Reports on Committee Meetings

FARM LABOR AND BANK COMMISSIONER

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: In executive session, nomination of James Earl Wells, Jr., to be Co-operative Bank Commissioner of the FCA, was ordered favorably reported.

The bill to establish a farm labor supply program (S. 1334) was ordered referred to a subcommittee for further study and recommendations. Membership of subcommittee will be appointed at a later date.

AGRICULTURE APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on H. R. 3601, Agriculture Department appropriation bill, began "marking up" bill.

GOVERNMENT CORPORATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on H. R. 3756, Government corporations appropriation, continued hearings with testimony on TVA and cooperative banks.

LEGISLATIVE APPROPRIATION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee held night session to consider H. R. 3993, legislative branch appropriations bill for 1948.

WAR DEPARTMENT

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee continued "marking up" H. R. 3678, War Department appropriation bill.

WACS, WAVES, AND MARINES

Committee on Armed Services: After hearing testimony on the subject from General Eisenhower, Admiral Nimitz, and other representatives of the War and Navy Departments, the subcommittee agreed to report to the full committee S. 1103, to establish the Women's Army Corps in the Regular Army, with amendment, and S. 1527, to authorize enlistment of women in the Regular Navy and Marine Corps. Full committee meets July 3.

CONSUMER CREDIT

Committee on Banking and Currency: Committee heard testimony in opposition to a continuation of regulation W, relative to providing curbs on consumer installment credit, from M. I. Behrens, Jr., representing Retail Credit Institute of America, Inc.; Myron R. Bone, American Industrial Bankers Assn.; P. Lynn Wertz, National Used Car Dealers Assn.; Milton Raynor, Greater Chicago Used Car Dealers Assn.; Hubert M. Rhodes, Credit Union National Assn., Inc.; William L. Wilson, C. I. T.; J. N. Adam, the Hoover Co. of Philadelphia; and Warren A. McClure, Michigan Used Car Dealers. Committee meets again on July 7.

D. C. BILLS

Committee on the District of Columbia: Subcommittee on H. R. 1448, licensing of buildings used for living quarters, heard favorable testimony from Commissioner John R. Young; Corporation Counsel Vernon West, Superintendent of Licensing E. Bailey; and James A. Cobb, Washington Housing Assn. Appearing in opposition were Charles J. Rush, D. C. Real Estate Board; Joseph Lapiane, Jr., Columbia Heights Citizens Assn.; W. H. Stanton, Columbia Heights Citizens Forum; Bernard Lucas, and John A. Savage.

The subcommittee also considered H. R. 3433, two-platoon system for fire department, and heard John W.

Conroy, Firemen's Assn.; John P. Redman, National Assn. of Fire Fighters; and George J. Richardson, International Assn. of Fire Fighters, favor the proposal, while Commissioner Young, Corporation Counsel West, and Fire Department Chief Clement Murphy opposed it.

FOREIGN INFORMATION AND EXCHANGE

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on H. R. 3342, United States information and educational exchange, heard testimony from Secretary of State Marshall, Representatives Mundt, Jarman, and Lodge, and Philip D. Reed, International General Electric Co.

VETERANS' BILLS AND AID TO EDUCATION

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: In executive session, a Federal aid to education and three veteran bills were approved as follows: S. 472, providing a Federal grant of \$300,000,000 a year to States for educational purposes. The money would be spent by States under State control for public elementary and public secondary schools, for such purposes as State and local school revenue may be spent. A minimum allotment of Federal aid would be authorized to each State in an amount not less than \$5 multiplied by the number of children from 5 to 17 years of age, inclusive.

S. 1393, increasing ceiling for on-the-job training for single veterans from \$175 to \$200, and for married veterans from \$200 to \$250. Estimated to cost \$85,000,000.

S. 1394, to increase the subsistence payments under the education program for single veterans from \$65 per month to \$75, and for married veterans having one dependent from \$90 to \$105, and \$120 for those having more than one. This is estimated to cost \$217,000,000.

S. 1391, providing a 3-year extension for veterans amputee auto program, with liberalizing amendments. The Government would pay up to \$1,600 for specially equipped cars, and allow veterans to pay any difference for more expensive vehicles. This is estimated to cost \$9,900,000.

HEALTH LEGISLATION

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee heard the following witnesses testify in support of S. 1320, National Health Insurance and Public Health Act of 1947, as opposed to S. 545, to create an independent national health agency: Russell Smith and Lulu Evanson, Nat'l Farmers Union; Dr. John P. Peters, Committee of Physicians for Improvement of Medical Care, New Haven; Andrew B. Biemiller, Americans for Democratic Action, Washington; A. J. Smith, Methodist Federation for Social Action, N. Y.; Joseph P. Anderson, American Ass'n of Social Workers, N. Y.; and Joseph Clorety, Jr., AVC, Washington.

COAL MINE SAFETY REGULATIONS AND PUERTO RICO

Committee on Public Lands: Committee reported, with amendment, H. R. 3309, to amend Puerto Rico Organic

Act to allow qualified voters to elect, and outline authority of, their governor; and approved, with amendment, S. J. Res. 130, to establish a code of health and safety in bituminous coal and lignite mines, on which a report will be filed July 3.

FISHERY RESOURCES

Committee on Public Lands: National Resources Economic Subcommittee, meeting on fishery resources of the United States, heard Louis D. Elliott, accompanied by B. W. Locknane, both of Food and Drug Administration, discuss the bearing that Food and Drug Act has on production, utilization, and conservation of fishery resources; and the following from Department of Interior: Albert M. Day, Fish and Wildlife Service, make a general statement; Elmer Higgins, Division of Fishery

Biology, speak on biology of fisheries; Fred S. Johnson, Division of Commercial Fisheries, talk on commercial aspects of fisheries; A. W. Anderson, Division of Alaska Fisheries, speak on Alaska fisheries; and Dr. H. J. Deason, Office of Foreign Activities, speak on agreements with foreign countries, such as the International Halibut Commission. Hearings to be continued.

CENTRAL ARIZONA PROJECT

Committee on Public Lands: Senator Downey testified in opposition to S. 1175, to construct and operate a dam at Bridge Canyon, central Arizona project; and Ralph I. Meeker, irrigation engineer, and Charles A. Carson, special attorney, both of Phoenix, Ariz., appeared in support of it. Hearings to be continued.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Sixteen public bills, H. R. 4065-4080; two private bills, H. R. 4081 and 4082; and three resolutions, H. Res. 267-269, were introduced.

Pages 8136, 8178

Bills Reported: Bills and resolutions were reported as follows:

Fourteen private claims bills from the Committee on the Judiciary, as follows: H. R. 434, 439, 618, 1534, 1781, 2373, 2374, 2696, 2811, 3118, 3168, and 3361; and S. 851 and S. 358 (H. Repts. 761-774, incl.);

H. R. 489, relating to settlement of claim against El Paso, Tex. (H. Rept. 775);

H. R. 1466, authorizing Comptroller General to allow credits to relieve certain disbursing officers in the War and Navy Departments in the settlement of accounts (H. Rept. 776);

H. Res. 267, providing 2 hours' general debate on H. R. 3813, preventing the holding of office or position in the executive branch of the Government by any person found disloyal to the United States (H. Rept. 777);

H. Res. 268, waiving all points of order against and providing 2 hours' general debate on H. R. 1602, establishing a National Minerals Resources Division within the Department of the Interior (H. Rept. 778);

H. R. 3075, permitting the Postmaster General to authorize compensatory time for supervisory employees for performance of duties in excess of 8 hours a day (H. Rept. 779);

H. R. 4007, authorizing payments by Veterans' Administrator on the purchase of automobiles or other conveyances by certain disabled veterans (H. Rept. 780);

Report on the Panama Canal, pursuant to H. Res. 36 (80th Cong., 1st sess.) (H. Rept. 781);

H. R. 3314, authorizing Secretary of Navy to proceed with construction of certain public works (H. Rept. 783);

H. R. 4017, to redeem armed forces leave bonds in cash (H. Rept. 784);

Report on investigation of the disposition of surplus property (H. Rept. 785); and

Report on investigation of participation of Federal officials in the formation and operation of health workshops (H. Rept. 786).

Pages 8177-8178

Labor-FSA: Adopted the conference report on H. R. 2700, making appropriations for the Labor Department and the Federal Security Agency for the fiscal year 1948.

Pages 8131-8135

Emergency Appropriations: Adopted the conference report (H. Rept. 782) on H. R. 4031, providing temporary extension of appropriations to meet emergencies beyond June 30, until annual supply bills are enacted.

The House had disagreed to Senate amendments on the bill and agreed to the conference asked. Representatives Taber, Wigglesworth, Engel of Michigan, Stefan, Case of South Dakota, Keefe, Kerr, and Mahon were appointed as conferees on the part of the House.

Pages 8154-8155

Bill Referred: President vetoed H. R. 617, a private claim bill, which was referred back to the Committee on the Judiciary.

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State, Justice, and Commerce: The House disagreed to Senate amendments on H. R. 3311, State, Justice, and Commerce Department appropriation bill for 1948, agreed to the conference asked, and Representatives Stefan, Jones of Ohio, Horan, Fenton, Rooney, Gary,

and O'Brien were appointed as conferees on the part of the House. The conference report on this measure will be House Report No. 787. Pages 8131

Civil Functions, War Dept.: Passed, and sent to the Senate, H. R. 4002, making appropriations for the civil functions of the War Department for 1948.

Amendments offered to make increases above any of the Appropriations Committee's recommended amounts were rejected by the House, and two minor committee amendments were adopted to the measure which supplies \$339,186,869 for the six civil functions of the Department.

This is the eleventh of the 12 regular departmental bills, and the sixteenth appropriation measure, passed in this session. Pages 8136-8154, 8155-8173

Reports on Committee Meetings

SUGAR

Committee on Agriculture: Full committee met in executive session on proposed sugar legislation and agreed to report favorably to the House a clean bill, which is expected to be introduced today (July 2).

CONDEMNED MATERIAL—SHIPS' STORES

Committee on Armed Services: Procurement and Supply Subcommittee held hearings on H. R. 774, disposition of certain condemned ordnance and other condemned material, and heard Capt. Nunn, of the Navy, and Major Atkins, of the War Department, who testified in favor of the bill. Subcommittee ordered the bill favorably reported to the full committee. Also held hearings on the problem of ships' service stores and heard Arthur D. Condon, counsel for Military and Naval Distributors; and Lewis Elkie, president of Military and Naval Distributors.

Scientific Research and Development Subcommittee continued hearings on H. R. 612, construction of research laboratory for Quartermaster Corps, Boston, Mass.

FDIC STOCK

Committee on Banking and Currency: Met on S. 1070, cancellation of Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation's capital stock and subscriptions and refund of moneys received therefrom, and heard Under Secretary of the Treasury Archibald L. M. Wiggins; and Messrs. Bennett, Woolen, and Coke, representing the American Bankers Association, all of whom testified in favor of the bill. Hearings will continue July 8.

D. C. HOME RULE

Committee on the District of Columbia: Subcommittee on Home Rule and Reorganization met on legislation providing home rule for the District of Columbia, and heard Merlo Pusey, Washington Post; Benjamin McKelway, Evening Star; Robert Buck, Washington News;

and Frank Smith, Times-Herald, all of whom testified on the general relationship of Federal and District Governments.

MINIMUM WAGE

Committee on Education and Labor: Subcommittee on Wages and Hours of Labor met on H. R. 3886, minimum wage rate changes and heard Solomon Barkin, chairman, research minimum wage committee, CIO, Textile Workers Union; and Miss Gladis Dickason, assistant director and vice president, organizing division, Amalgamated Clothing Workers, CIO, both of whom testified in favor of the bill. Hearings will continue July 7.

NATIONAL DEFENSE—SURPLUS—PUBLICITY

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Met in executive session and Chairman Rizley, of the Subcommittee on Surplus Property Disposal, made a report to the full committee which was concurred with and report filed with Congress, which is the Second Intermediate Report of the Committee.

Chairman Harness, of the Subcommittee on Publicity and Propaganda, submitted a report on the investigation of the participation of Federal officials in the formation and operation of health workshops. Report is the Third Intermediate Report of the Committee.

The following members were designated as a subcommittee to mark-up a bill providing for a national defense establishment, which will be submitted to the full committee for action: Representatives Hoffman, Bender, Latham, Wadsworth, Manasco, McCormack, and Holifield. The first meeting of the subcommittee will be held in the Committee Room at 10 a. m., on Tuesday, July 8.

INTER-AMERICAN MILITARY COOPERATION

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Met on H. R. 3836, Inter-American Military Cooperation Act, and heard Norman Thomas, chairman, Postwar World Council, New York City; Ernest Galarza, Friends Committee on National Legislation, Washington, D. C.; Arthur K. Taylor, Taylor Machine Co., Baltimore, Md.; Heloise Brainard, legislative secretary, Women's International League, Washington, D. C.; Louise Wier, member, executive council, Peoples Mandate Committee, Washington, D. C.; Esther J. Crooks, Goucher College, Baltimore, Md.; and Frederick J. Libby, executive secretary, National Council for Prevention of War, Washington, D. C., all of whom testified in opposition to the bill.

ANTI-POLL TAX

Committee on House Administration: Subcommittee on Elections met on various anti-poll-tax bills and heard Jesse F. Orton, attorney at law, Jackson Heights, N. Y., testify in opposition to the legislation. He based his opposition on the constitutional aspect of the proposed legislation.

FEDERAL POWER

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Leonard W. Hall subcommittee met in public hearings on H. R. 2972 and H. R. 2973, to amend the Federal Power Act, and heard Hon. Nelson Lee Smith, Chairman, Federal Power Commission, Washington, D. C.; Hon. Claude D. Draper, Commissioner, Federal Power Commission; and Willard Gatchell, Chief, Hydro-Electric Project Division, Bureau of Law, Federal Power Commission.

Hale subcommittee met in executive session on legislation to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act and agreed to report favorably to the full committee a bill which is expected to be introduced today (July 2).

DISPLACED PERSONS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Claims met on various private claims bills and agreed to report favorably to the full committee 22 private claims bills, and to report 5 bills adversely.

Subcommittee on Patents, Trade-Marks, and Copyrights met in executive session and considered several bills on which hearings have previously been held.

Subcommittee on Immigration and Naturalization met on H. R. 2910, to provide for the admission of certain displaced persons into the United States, and heard Lt. Col. Jerry Sage, representing the United States Army, European Command; former Governor Lehman (of New York); and Marvin Klemme, former UNRRA employment officer.

WILDLIFE

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Subcommittee on Conservation of Wildlife Resources met on H. R. 2472, promoting the conservation of wildlife by promoting sound land-use practices, and H. R. 3802, amending the Migratory Bird Hunting Stamp Act, and heard Clark Venable, Potomac Beach, Va.; Carl Shoemaker, National Wildlife Federation; Seth Gordon, Pennsylvania Game Commission; Don Chaney, Fish and Wildlife Service; G. R. Gutermuth, Wildlife Management Institute; Livingston E. Osborne; and John H. Baker, National Audubon Society.

CENSUS (COTTONSEED)

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Hagen subcommittee met on H. R. 3895, authorizing the Director of the Census to collect and publish statistics of cottonseed and cottonseed products, and heard representatives of the edible oil industries, including manufacturers of soap, shortening, paints, varnishes, etc., who presented the need of the industry for the type of statistics proposed in H. R. 3895. Howard Grieves, Assistant Director of the Census Bureau, indicated that the Census Bureau was in accord with the objectives of the

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bill and proposed an amendment which would allow more discretion to the Director of the Census.

INDIANS

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Indian Affairs met on various bills and heard Phil Hamel, Secretary of Flathead Indian Tribal Council; Louis Lemery, member, Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribal Council; George M. Tunison, counsel for Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes; William Zimmerman, Acting Commissioner, Office of Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior; and Representative Mansfield on H. R. 658, cancellation of irrigation charges. Hearings to be continued.

HYDROELECTRIC POWER

Committee on Public Works: Met on H. R. 3036, transfers from the Interior Department to the War Department facilities for transmitting electric power from reservoir project under War Department control, and heard Representative Rankin; and Henry W. Blalock, Assistant Administrator, Southwestern Power Administration. Hearings to be continued.

LOYALTY—MINERALS RESOURCES

Committee on Rules: Heard Chairman Rees and Representative Almond, of the Committee on Post Office and Civil Service, who favored a rule providing consideration of H. R. 3813, a bill to provide for removal from, and the prevention of appointment to, offices or positions in the executive branch of the Government of persons who are found to be disloyal to the United States. A resolution providing 2 hours of debate was ordered reported.

Heard Chairman Welch and Representatives Lemke, Russell, and Crawford, of the Committee on Public Lands, who favored a rule providing consideration of H. R. 1602, a bill to establish within the Department of the Interior a National Minerals Resources Division, and for other purposes. A resolution waiving points of order and providing one hour of general debate was ordered reported.

VETERANS

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Subcommittee on Compensation and Pensions met on various bills to increase pensions for widows and orphans of World War II, and heard Representative Hale, sponsor of H. R. 1590; Representative Davis, sponsor of H. R. 1612; Representative Stigler, sponsor of H. R. 1944 and H. R. 1887; Mrs. E. W. Abdill, legislative chairman, and Mrs. Edward H. Jordan, national president, Gold Star Wives of World War II, in support of H. R. 1612; Mrs. Frances K. Nelson, national executive treasurer, and Mrs. Mary M. DeVan, national executive secretary, Gold Star Society of American War Widows and Orphans, in

support of H. R. 3748; Harry Hayden, Jr., the American Legion; and Omar B. Ketchum, VFW.

TAX REVISION—UNEMPLOYMENT TAX

Committee on Ways and Means: Met on general tax revision and heard Frank Coburn, representing the American Bar Association, who discussed corporation pension trusts; and William A. Sutherland, attorney, Washington, D. C., who discussed the Virginia Hotel case.

Social Security Subcommittee met in executive session and considered H. R. 4046, amendment to the Unemployment Tax Act, which would permit servicemen and civilians who left their businesses to go into war work to come back and not be penalized for the lapse of time in computing their unemployment tax rate. Subcommittee recommended that the bill be tabled.

REPORT ON JOINT COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Conferees on H. R. 3493, Navy Department appropriation bill, held their second meeting, but failed to reach agreement. They meet again tomorrow.

Conferees on H. R. 3311, State, Justice, Commerce appropriations, held first session, but failed to reach agreement.

Joint Committee on the Economic Report: Dr. Leverett S. Lyon, Chicago Assn. of Commerce and Industry; Dr. John H. Williams, vice president, Federal Reserve Bank of New York; and Millard D. Brown, president, Pennsylvania Manufacturers Assn., testified on economic trends before the joint committee in connection with its study.

BILLS SIGNED BY THE PRESIDENT

(New Laws)

(For last listing of Public Laws, see p. D330)

H. R. 1375, to provide a clothing allowance for Marine Corps enlisted men. Signed July 1, 1947 (P. L. 158);

H. R. 2276, to authorize certain expenses for Army and Navy participation in Olympic games. Signed July 1, 1947 (P. L. 159);

H. R. 3629, to authorize transfer of certain surplus property to Panama Canal. Signed July 2, 1947 (P. L. 160).

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HIGHLIGHTS

Both Houses cleared State, Justice, Commerce appropriations for President. Senate passed 56 bills on Call of Calendar and emergency powers and appointed labor-management committee.

Bills on railroads, natural gas, conscientious objectors, surplus property, and FSA approved by Senate groups.

New income-tax reduction bill reported to House.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 8203-8206.

Bills Introduced: Five bills and three resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1565-1569; S. J. Res. 143, 144, 145.

Pages 8203, 8205-8206

Bills Reported: Bills and resolutions were reported as follows:

S. 794, authorizing sale of Indian land in N. C. (S. Rept. 423);

H. R. 2005, relative to coal and asphalt lands of Choctaw-Chickasaw Indians of Okla. (S. Rept. 424);

S. 472, Federal aid to education (S. Rept. 425);

S. 995, to extend Civil Service Retirement Act to employees of Columbia Institution for the Deaf (S. Rept. 426);

S. 1324, to extend Civil Service Retirement Act to employees of National Library for Blind (S. Rept. 427);

S. 999, to amend Veterans Preference Act with respect to Federal employment of disabled veterans (S. Rept. 428);

S. 1028, to amend the Natural Gas Act relative to eminent domain (S. Rept. 429);

S. J. Res. 94, to establish Ft. Sumter National Memorial in S. C. (S. Rept. 430);

S. J. Res. 130, establishing a code of health for safety in coal mines (S. Rept. 431);

S. 249, railroad financing bill (S. Rept. 432);

S. J. Res. 118, authorize sale of timber in Tongass National Forest (S. Rept. 433);

S. 1502, to authorize contribution to International Children's Emergency Fund (S. Rept. 434); and

S. 1515, to make surplus property available for alleviation of flood damage (S. Rept. 435).

Pages 8204-8205

Bill Referred: The following House-passed bill was referred to committee indicated: H. R. 4002 (Committee on Appropriations). (For passage in House, see Digest, p. D336.)

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Trusteeship: Both Houses received Presidential message asking approval of the trusteeship agreement for the Pacific Islands, which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations in the Senate, and the Committee on Foreign Affairs in the House.

Pages 8203, 8260

Emergency Powers: H. R. 3647, second war powers extension and export control, was passed by voice vote with the language of S. 1461 inserted. A conference was asked of the House and the following conferees appointed: Senators Wiley, Cooper, and McCarran.

Earlier, the Senate had agreed to the following clarifying amendments by Senator Cooper and one by Senator Ellender; an amendment by Senator Reed extending ODT to January 31, 1948; an amendment by Senator Cooper on binder twine; and an amendment by Senator Hawkes placing cinchona bark and quinine under control. Defeated the following amendment by Senator White (for Senator Brewster), placing grains for brewing and distilling under control; an amendment by Senator Thomas of Oklahoma to abolish "historical record" system so far as export control is concerned; and an amendment by Senator Butler to provide that grain exports should be handled by private sources instead of Government agencies.

Pages 8179-8203

State, Justice, Commerce Appropriations: Conference report on H. R. 3311, State, Justice, Commerce appropriations bill, was approved by voice vote, clearing the bill for President. As agreed upon by conferees, it carries a total appropriation of \$551,325,932.

Pages 8210-8211

Labor Study: The new labor law (P. L. 101) provides for the appointment of a joint congressional committee to study labor-management relations. The President pro tempore appointed the following as Senate members: Senators Taft, Ball, Smith, Ives, Murray, Pepper, and Ellender.

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Bills Passed: On call of the Calendar, 56 bills were passed as follows:

Navy Retirement: H. R. 3251, relating to retirement of certain naval officers;

Airports: S. 364, to expedite disposition of surplus airports;

REA Loans: S. 1087, to authorize use of REA loans to municipalities for payment of debts to TVA;

Cattle Grubs: S. 1249, to authorize research on eradication of cattle grubs;

Stamps: S. 1180, to authorize issuance of special series of Gold Star mother commemorative stamps;

Alaska: H. R. 195, to authorize sale of certain lands in Alaska;

House Office Building: H. R. 3072, to authorize preparation of plans for addition or extension to House Office Buildings;

Bridge Bonds: H. R. 1610, to authorize Cairo, Ill., Bridge Commission to issue refunding bonds;

D. C. St.: H. R. 1893, to authorize sale of bed of E St.;

D. C. Parole: H. R. 494, to reorganize D. C. parole system;

Condemnation: H. R. 3235, authorizing payments to attorneys and architects in condemnation proceedings;

Athletic Bribery: H. R. 3515, D. C. athletic bribery bill;

D. C. Code: S. 1442, survival of court actions;

D. C. Corporations: S. 8, to provide for incorporation and regulation of certain D. C. business corporations;

Land: S. 714, land patent bill;

Indian Land: S. 1317, to give Crow Indian Tribe power to manage certain lands;

D. C. Churches: S. 1402, to authorize D. C. Episcopal churches to establish bylaws governing election of vestrymen;

D. C. Transcripts: S. 1462, to authorize official reporters of D. C. municipal court to collect transcript fees;

D. C. Police Band: H. R. 2470, to authorize establishment of Metropolitan Police band;

D. C. Ceremonies: H. R. 3547, to authorize funds for D. C. ceremonies;

Gov't Anniversary: S. J. Res. 129, to provide for commemoration of 150th anniversary of establishment of Federal Government in D. C.;

Hawaii: S. 1419, to enable Hawaiian Legislature to authorize Honolulu to issue sewer bonds;

Hawaii: S. 1420, to authorize Hawaii to issue certain public-improvement bonds;

Italian Property: S. J. Res. 138, to provide for the return of Italian property in the United States;

Borah: S. Con. Res. 18, to provide for printing of proceedings of unveiling of William E. Borah's statue;

Andrew Mellon: H. J. Res. 170, to erect a D. C. statue to Andrew Mellon;

Federal Reserve: S. 1519, to remove legal restrictions on Federal Reserve branch bank constructions when costs do not exceed 10 million dollars;

Judicial District: H. R. 325, to transfer Blair County, Pa., from the middle to the western judicial district;

Waterway: H. R. 599, relative to navigable waters in Maine;

Liquors: H. R. 959, relative to draw-back allowances on distilled spirits or wines manufactured for export;

Wine: H. R. 1945, amending Internal Revenue Code relative to regulatory provisions governing wine production;

Brandies: H. R. 1946, amending Internal Revenue Code relative to blending of fruit brandies and imposition of an additional tax of 30 cents a gallon on such brandy;

Small Business: S. Con. Res. 14, favoring representation of small business on Government policy-making bodies;

Railroads: H. R. 3861, to allow newly chartered railroads, having been in bankruptcy, benefits of their predecessor's carry-overs;

Insurance: S. 1508, to extend until June 30, 1948, duration of act affirming intent of Congress that regulations of the business of insurance should be left to the States. The following private claims bills were passed: H. R. 2302, 1513, 1954, 1658, 1851, 837, 770, 1866, 1956, 1585, S. 1043, 1350, 409, 136, 558, 190, 298, 189, 187, 186, and S. Res. 128.

Of the above bills passed, the following 20 House-passed measures were cleared for the President: H. R. 1866, 3251, 195, 3072, 1610, 1893, 3235, 3515, 2470, 3547, 325, 599, 959, 1945, 1946, 770, 837, 1851, 1513, and 2302.

Pages 8221-8253

Double Taxation: Convention on double taxation with the Union of South Africa (Executive FF) was received and referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

Pages 8206-8210

Nominations: The following nominations were received: Philip L. Rice, to be judge of the 5th circuit court, Territory of Hawaii, and Ward Hudgins, to be United States attorney for the middle district of Tennessee.

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Reports on Committee Meetings

AGRICULTURE APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on H. R. 3601, Agriculture Department appropriation bill, met to "mark up" the bill.

GOVERNMENT CORPORATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on H. R. 3756, Government corporations appropriation, continued hearings with testimony from Agriculture Under Secretary N. E. Dodd and Housing Expediter Frank Creedon.

WAR DEPARTMENT

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on H. R. 3678, War Department appropriation bill, completed "marking up" the bill.

ARMY AND NAVY BILLS

Committee on Armed Services: In executive session, committee approved S. 1502, to authorize contribution

of conscientious objectors' earnings to the International Children's Emergency Fund; the following bills were considered but action held over: S. 759, to provide for detail of military and naval missions to foreign governments; S. 1112, to provide for transfer of Ft. Douglas, Utah; and H. R. 1366, to provide for Army-Navy procurement.

ALCOHOLIC CLINIC

Committee on the District of Columbia: Subcommittee on S. 757, to establish an Alcoholic Clinic in D. C., heard the following witnesses: Clinton N. Howard, Int'l Reform Federation; Mrs. Geo. C. Thorpe, Washington Committee for Education on Alcoholism; and Dr. E. Y. Williams, Freedmen's Hospital.

SURPLUS PROPERTY AND FSA

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: In executive session, reported S. 1515, to make surplus property available for alleviation of damage caused by flood or other catastrophe, with perfecting amendments, and S. 1512, to improve accounting within FSA to authorize intra-agency transfer and consolidation of appropriations by Administrator.

It was agreed that subcommittee on intergovernmental relations would be represented at the Conference of Governors to be held in Salt Lake City July 13-16 by Senators Bricker and O'Connor.

FOREIGN INFORMATION AND EXCHANGE

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on H. R. 3342, United States Information and Educational Exchange Act, in executive session heard Assistant Secretary of State William Benton and State Department Political Adviser Maynard B. Barnes. Subcommittee also released a statement from Army Chief of Staff Eisenhower favoring the program. Subcommittee meets again July 5.

RAILROAD AND GAS BILLS—FCC NOMINATION

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: S. 249, railroad finance bill, was reported, with amendments, as was S. 1028, to amend the Natural Gas Act amendments on eminent domain.

Agreed to have subcommittee meet July 7 to hear opposition witnesses on appointment of Robt. F. Jones as FCC Commissioner.

POSTMASTER RELIEF

Committee on the Judiciary: Senator Kilgore and Earl Stone, Post Office Dept., testified on S. 99, to provide relief for postmaster in Beckley, W. Va.

HEALTH LEGISLATION

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee, continuing hearings on S. 545, to create an independent national health agency, and S. 1320, National Health Insurance and Public Health Act of 1947, heard the following witnesses testify in support of S. 1320: Dr. Allan

M. Butler, Arts, Sciences, and Professions, Progressive Citizens of America; Ernie Rymer, International Workers Order, N. Y.; Dr. Montague Cobb, National Assn. for the Advancement of Colored People, Washington; Leo J. Linder, National Lawyers Guild, N. Y.; and Clark Foreman, Southern Conference for Human Welfare, Washington. Hearings continue week of July 7.

FISHERY RESOURCES

Committee on Public Lands: National Resources Economic Subcommittee, continuing its study of the fishery resources, heard Dr. Wm. E. S. Flory, International Resources Division, State Dept., discuss conservation, exploitation, and international trade aspects of fisheries; H. B. McCoy, Office of Domestic Commerce, Commerce Dept., review impacts of imports on this domestic industry, and export trade; and Charles R. Carry, National Cannery Assn., relate of the interests of his organization.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Seven public bills, H. R. 4083-4089; and five resolutions, H. Res. 270 and 271, H. J. Res. 225 and 226, and H. Con. Res. 57, were introduced.

Pages 8285-8286

Bills Reported: Bills and resolutions were reported as follows:

H. Res. 270, rule providing 2 hours' debate on H. R. 1639, amending Employers' Liability Act so as to limit venue in actions brought in United States district courts or in State courts under such act (H. Rept. 788);

H. Res. 271, rule providing 1 hour debate on H. Con. Res. 54, providing for the use of Schick General Hospital, Clinton, Iowa, by the Veterans' Administration (H. Rept. 789);

H. R. 3043, transferring lands to the Secretary of the Interior (H. Rept. 790);

Three private claims bills, S. 1360, H. R. 2350, and H. R. 1931 (H. Repts. 791-793, incl.);

H. R. 4055, providing increases in pensions of veterans of Indian wars and their dependents (H. R. 794);

H. R. 3950, to reduce individual income-tax payments (H. Rept. 795); and

H. R. 4075, Sugar Act of 1948 (H. Rept. 796).

Pages 8285-8286

State, Justice, and Commerce: Adopted the conference report (H. Rept. 787) on H. R. 3311, making appropriations of \$551,325,932 for the Departments of State, Justice, and Commerce and the judiciary in 1948, thereby completing congressional action.

Pages 8262-8266

PUBLIC LANDS

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Public Lands, in executive session, considered various calendar bills which will be reported to the full committee on July 7.

CENTRAL ARIZONA PROJECT

Committee on Public Lands: The following witnesses testified in support of S. 1175, to construct and operate a dam at Bridge Canyon, central Arizona project: Judge Clifford A. Stone, Commissioner for Colorado on Upper Colorado River Basin Compact Commission; R. J. Tipton, Arizona State consultant engineer; and R. Gail Baker, Arizona State reclamation engineer. K. S. Wingfield, economic engineer, and H. S. Casey Abbott, Arizona Farm Bureau Federation, filed supporting statements.

Unemployment Tax: Passed H. R. 4011, amending the Federal Unemployment Tax, providing that a State law may, without violating present standards, permit voluntary contributions to be used in computation of reduced rates, if such contributions are paid within 120 days after the beginning of the rate year or prior to January 1, 1948, whichever is later. This amendment will be applicable only with respect to contribution rate years beginning after December 31, 1945.

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TONGASS NATIONAL FOREST

Committee on Agriculture: Held hearings on H. J. Res. 205, authorizing sale of timber within Tongass National Forest, and heard James E. Curry and the following members of the Alaskan Native Brotherhood: Frank G. Johnson, Frank Teratarovich, Andrew Hope, and Fred Grant, Sr.

Met in executive session and ordered favorably reported S. 512, to extend the provisions of the Bankhead-Jones Farm Tenant Act and Soil Conservation and Domestic Allotment Act to the Virgin Islands; S. 338, a plant quarantine bill, as amended; and H. R. 1809, to facilitate the use and occupancy of national forest lands, as amended, limiting the bill to Alaska only.

MILK PRICE SUPPORT

Committee on Banking and Currency: Held hearings on H. R. 3370, to direct the Secretary of Agriculture to support the price of milk at not less than \$3.10 per hun-

dred pounds, and heard Representative Murray, who testified in favor of the bill; and Don Anderson, Director of the Dairy Branch, who represented the Department of Agriculture.

D. C. HOME RULE

Committee on the District of Columbia: Subcommittee on Home Rule and Reorganization met on the problem of Federal agencies operating in the District of Columbia, and heard Mastin White, Solicitor, Department of the Interior; Newton Drury, National Park Service; Arthur E. Demaray, Associate Director, National Park Service; Irving C. Root, National Capital Parks; and Robert C. Goodwin, USES, Department of Labor.

Subcommittee on Insurance, Public Utilities, and Banking met in executive session and ordered favorably reported to the full committee H. R. 3998, a compromise bill on casualty insurance. S. 629 was held for full committee action. H. R. 1632 and H. R. 1688 were considered but no action taken.

WORLD HEALTH

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee on National and International Movements held hearings on H. J. Res. 161, World Health Organization, and heard Dr. G. Foard McGinnes, vice chairman in charge of health service of the National Red Cross; Dr. H. van Zile Hyde, Department of State; and Durward V. Sandifer, Department of State.

ANTI-POLL TAX

Committee on House Administration: Subcommittee on Elections held hearings on various anti-poll-tax bills and heard the concluding testimony of Jesse F. Orton, attorney at law, Jackson Heights, N. Y., who based his opposition on the constitutional aspect of the proposed legislation; and John Locke Green, treasurer, Arlington, Va., who testified in favor of the legislation.

AIR CARRIER ROUTES—PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: O'Hara subcommittee held hearings on H. R. 2365, air carrier routes, and heard Representative Norrell, who testified in favor of the bill; Emory T. Nunneley, general counsel, Civil Aeronautics Board, Washington, D. C.; and Hon. Robert Ramspeck, executive vice president, Air Transport Association, Washington, D. C., both of whom testified in opposition to the bill.

Dolliver subcommittee held hearings on H. R. 3924, Public Health Service, personnel and administration, and heard Dr. Thomas Parran, Surgeon General, Public Health Service, Washington, D. C.; Dr. W. Palmer Dearing, Chief, Division of Commissioned Officers, Public Health Service, Washington, D. C.; Dr. James A. Crabtree, Deputy Surgeon General, Public Health Service, Washington, D. C., all of whom testified in favor of the bill; Lawrence L. Gourley, legal counsel,

American Osteopathic Association, Washington, D. C., and Representative Arnold, both of whom testified in opposition to the bill as written, and suggested amendment.

EMERGENCY POWERS

Committee on the Judiciary: Met in executive session and considered amendments recommended by Subcommittee No. 4 to S. J. Res. 123, terminating certain war and emergency statutes, and ordered the joint resolution favorably reported to the House with those amendments. (This joint resolution previously ordered reported without amendment, June 26, 1947.)

INDIANS—GRAZING ACT—JACKSON HOLE

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Indian Affairs held hearings on various bills and heard Representative Schwabe of Oklahoma; George Lobadie, counsel for Osage Indian Tribal Council; Paul Pitts, member Osage Indian Tribal Council; Joseph Mason, member Osage Indian Tribal Council; Joe Shumkamolah, member Osage Indian Tribe; Harry Red Eagle, member Osage Indian Tribe; and Wm. Zimmerman, Acting Commissioner, Office of Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior.

Subcommittee ordered favorably reported to the full committee the following bills: H. R. 3325, to enable Osage Indians who served in World War II to obtain loans under the Servicemen's Readjustment Act; H. R. 3326, providing for granting certificates of competency and payment of funds, etc., to members of the Osage Tribe of less than one-half Indian blood at age 21; and H. R. 3685, authorizing the Wyandotte Tribe of Oklahoma to sell and convey to the Wyandotte Indian public burial ground in Kansas City, Kans.

Subcommittee on Public Lands held hearings on H. R. 4079, to amend the Taylor Grazing Act of June 28, 1934, as amended June 26, 1936, and heard Messrs. Wasserman and Reed, of the Department of the Interior; F. E. Mollen, executive secretary, American National Livestock Association, Denver, Colo.; J. M. Jones, secretary, National Wool Growers Association; and J. B. Wilson, president, National Wool Growers Association, all of whom testified in favor of the bill. Subcommittee ordered the bill favorably reported to the full committee, and also ordered favorably reported to the full committee, as amended, H. R. 1330, to abolish the Jackson Hole National Monument.

HYDROELECTRIC POWER

Committee on Public Works: Continued hearings on H. R. 3036, transfer of jurisdiction over certain power projects, and heard Henry W. Blalock, Southwestern Power Administration; Col. F. W. Scheidenhelm, consulting engineer, New York City; and S. T. McElhoes, Public Service Co. of Oklahoma. Hearings will continue next Monday.

RULES

Committee on Rules: Heard Representatives Talle, Twyman, Crow, and Mitchell, who appeared in favor of a resolution providing consideration of H. Con. Res. 54, to provide for the use of Schick General Hospital at Clinton, Iowa, for the Veterans' Administration. A resolution providing 1 hour debate was ordered reported.

Heard Representatives Jennings and Gwynne, who favored, and Representative Devitt, who opposed, a rule providing consideration of H. R. 1639, to amend the Employers' Liability Act so as to limit venue in actions brought in United States district courts or in State courts under such act. A resolution waiving points of order and providing 2 hours' debate was ordered reported.

Heard Representatives Landis, Colmer, and Holmes, who favored, and Representatives Gwinn, Buck, and Owens, who opposed, a rule providing consideration of H. R. 3682, a bill to extend the period for providing assistance for certain war-incurred school enrollments. A motion to report the resolution was rejected.

INCOME-TAX REDUCTION

Committee on Ways and Means: Met in executive session and ordered favorably reported to the House H. R. 3950, new income-tax reduction bill. This bill is similar to H. R. 1, except the effective date is January 1, 1948. Also favorably reported was H. R. 4069, to terminate certain miscellaneous temporary revenue provisions.

Monday, July 7, 1947

HIGHLIGHTS

Presidential message on displaced persons received by both Houses.

Senate opened debate on National Defense Establishment.

House passed 61 Consent Calendar bills and measures to permit cashing of terminal-leave bonds and to revise United States Judicial Code and Judiciary.

Bills on veterans' housing, Pacific islands, reclamation, and memorials approved by Senate groups.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 8286-8291.

Bills Introduced: Eight bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1570-S. 1577; S. Res. 141; and S. Ex. Res. 52. Pages 8289-8290

Bills Reported: Bills and resolutions were reported as follows:

S. 176, to aid in coordinating dental research and to establish a National Institute of Dental Research (S. Rept. 436);

S. 1454, to amend the Public Health Service Act in regard to certain matters of personnel and administration (S. Rept. 437);

H. R. 2573, to authorize the Geological Survey Director to sell aerial photographs (S. Rept. 438);

H. R. 1888, to incorporate AMVETS (S. Rept. 439);

Report by Special Committee to Investigate the National Defense Program on Inter-American Highway (S. Rept. 440);

Five private claims bills—S. 99, H. R. 566, 1162, 2306, and 3170 (S. Repts. 441, 443, 444, 445, and 446, respectively);

S. J. Res. 134, to observe the 160th anniversary of the signing of the Constitution (S. Rept. 442);

S. 1348, to add certain reversioned Oregon and California lands to the Silver Creek recreational demonstration project (S. Rept. 447);

H. R. 2167, to include within Angostura unit of Missouri basin project certain lands owned by the United States (S. Rept. 448);

S. J. Res. 84, to restore and preserve Francis Scott Key mansion and to establish such a national memorial (S. Rept. 449); and

S. 1490, transfer of the Panama Railway pension fund to the civil service retirement fund (S. Rept. 450).

Pages 8289, 8321-8325

Bill Referred: The following House-passed bill was referred to the committee indicated: H. R. 4011 (Committee on Finance). (For passage in House, see Digest p. D341.) Page 8289

Displaced Persons: Presidential message (H. Doc. 382) requesting legislation on admission of displaced persons was referred to Committee on the Judiciary. Pages 8291, 8329-8330

Government Commission: Under provisions of P. L. 162, a commission appointed by the President pro tempore, Speaker, and President, is established to study the executive branch of the Government. President pro

tempore announced the following appointments: Senators Aiken and McClellan; Dr. James K. Pollock, University of Michigan; and Joseph P. Kennedy, former Ambassador to Great Britain. Page 8286

National Defense Establishment: Opened debate on S. 758, to create a National Defense Establishment. Pages 8291-8300, 8301-8320, 8326-8327

Flood Damage: S. 1515, to make surplus property available for alleviation of damage caused by flood or other catastrophes, was passed. Page 8300-8301

Land: House amendment to S. 395, private land patent, was agreed to, clearing bill for President. Page 8291

Health Organization: S. J. Res. 98, to provide United States membership in the World Health Organization, was passed after the committee amendment and the clarifying amendment by Senator Vandenberg had been adopted. Pages 8325-8326

Oil Agreements: Anglo-American oil agreement (Exec. H. 79th) was favorably reported (with reservations and amendments) from the Committee on Foreign Relations (Exec. Rept. 8). Page 8289

Nominations: The following nominations were received: William J. Kennedy, to be a member of the Railroad Retirement Board; Jos. T. Votava, to be Nebraska United States attorney; and George E. Proudfit, to be United States marshal for Nebraska. Page 8289

Reports on Committee Meetings

INDEPENDENT OFFICES

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on H. R. 3839, independent offices appropriations, began "marking up" bill.

AGRICULTURAL APPROPRIATION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on H. R. 3601, Agriculture Department appropriations, continued "marking up" bill.

MILITARY PROCUREMENT

Committee on Armed Services: An evening executive session was held on H. R. 1366, to provide for Army-Navy procurement.

VETERANS AND MEAT SUBSIDIES

Committee on Banking and Currency: Approved, with amendments, S. 1293, to enable the Veterans' Administration to provide housing units for certain disabled veterans of World War II. Proposed amendments include (1) modifying the "permanent service-connected disability" to read "permanent and total service-connected disability," and (2) to amend subsections b, c, and d to provide one-half the total cost to be paid by

Veterans' Administration or the unpaid balance, whichever is the smaller, in the event the veteran has already acquired a home by purchase, inheritance, or gift.

In open hearing, Representative Havenner, Senator Pepper, and Barnett Sumski, in behalf of J. G. Johnson, Inc., San Francisco, testified in support of S. 1101 and S. 1429, to enable RFC to grant subsidy payments for period April 1, 1944, to July 23, 1945, to certain slaughterers who were not eligible therefor prior to July 23, 1945, under Livestock Slaughter Payments Regulations No. 3 of the Defense Supplies Corporation, but who later became eligible pursuant to certain amendments thereto.

TRUSTEESHIP AGREEMENTS

Committee on Foreign Relations: In executive session, unanimously approved S. J. Res. 143, authorizing the President to approve Pacific islands trusteeship agreements, after hearing testimony from Secretaries Marshall, Patterson, and Forrestal; General Eisenhower; and Admiral Nimitz.

FCC NOMINATION

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee on nomination of Representative Robert F. Jones, to be a member of FCC, concluded hearings with testimony from opposition witnesses.

NOMINATIONS AND BILLS REPORTED

Committee on the Judiciary: In executive session, 7 bills were approved, without amendment, of which 5 are private claims (S. 99; H. R. 566, 1162, 2306, and 3170). The other 2 are H. R. 1888, to incorporate AMVETS; and S. J. Res. 134, to observe the 160th anniversary of the signing of the Constitution.

Three nominations were favorably reported: Loomis E. Cranor, to be United States marshal for the western district of Kentucky; David Chavez, Jr., of New Mexico, to be United States district judge for Puerto Rico; and Henry Otis Camp, to be United States marshal for the northern district of Georgia.

UNITED STATES ATTORNEY

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee met with Alton Lessard on his nomination to be United States attorney for the district of Maine, and also heard a supporting statement by Senator White.

CONGRESSIONAL PRIMARY INVESTIGATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee met in executive session on S. Res. 116, to authorize investigation concerning the failure of the Department of Justice "to act with respect to alleged irregularities in the Democratic primary election held in the Fifth Congressional District of Missouri on August 6, 1946." No announcement was made of action taken.

RECLAMATION, FRANCIS SCOTT KEY, AND SILVER CREEK

Committee on Public Lands: Following four bills were approved: S. J. Res. 84, to restore and preserve Francis Scott Key mansion and to establish such a national memorial, amended; S. 1348, to add certain revested Oregon

and California railroad grant lands to the Silver Creek recreational demonstration project; H. R. 1556, to provide basic authority for performance of certain functions of activities of Bureau of Reclamation; and H. R. 2167, to include within Angostura unit of Missouri Basin project certain United States lands.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Thirteen public bills, H. R. 4090-4102; three private bills, H. R. 4103-4105; and six resolutions, H. Res. 272 and 273, and H. J. Res. 227-230, were introduced. Pages 8330, 8394

Bills Reported: Bills and resolutions were reported as follows:

H. Res. 272, rule waiving all points of order against, and granting 2 hours' general debate on, H. R. 3950, a bill to reduce individual income tax payments (H. Rept. 797);

H. Res. 273, rule waiving all points of order against, and granting 2 hours' general debate on, H. R. 4075, the Sugar Act of 1948 (H. Rept. 798);

S. J. Res. 123, declaring in the interpretation of various emergency laws and proclamations that they shall be construed as terminated and peace established (H. Rept. 799);

H. R. 4051, amending the Natural Gas Act of 1938, relative to defining the limits of jurisdiction of the Federal Power Commission with respect to transportation and sale of natural gas in interstate commerce and fixing rates thereon (H. Rept. 800);

Conference report on H. R. 3737, District of Columbia Revenue Act of 1947 (H. Rept. 801); and

H. R. 4069, terminating certain World War II tax provisions (H. Rept. 802). Pages 8393, 8393-8394

Consent Calendar: Passed the following bills on the Consent Calendar:

Records—Price: H. R. 2938, amending the act of August 24, 1912, fixing price of copies of records furnished by Interior Department.

Annuity Payments: H. R. 1260, as amended, amending Canal Zone Code of 1934, relative to recomputation of annuity payments.

Inland Waterways: H. R. 3350, as amended, amending navigation rules applied to inland waterways and western rivers to provide greater safety and prevent conflict with Gulf Intracoastal Waterway rules.

Reimbursement—Navy: S. 665, reimburse certain Navy personnel for money stolen or obtained from them

under false pretenses while they were on duty at United States naval training station, Farragut, Idaho.

Building Purchase: S. 1231 (in lieu of H. R. 2955), relating to sale of, and determination of market value of, the Fidelity Building, Kansas City, Mo.

Special Policemen: H. R. 3219, authorizing appointment of special policemen on property under jurisdiction of Federal Works Administrator.

Waterway Survey: H. R. 3146, amending Flood Control Act of 1937, relating to future surveys of waterways, to be made by the Secretary of War, with a view to control of their floods.

Naturalization—Ineligibles: H. R. 3555, as amended, amending Nationality Act of 1940, relating to naturalization of racially ineligible parents whose sons died while serving with the United States armed forces in World War II.

Archives: H. R. 3638, amending the National Archives Act, so as to provide statutory authority for appropriations to be furnished to the National Archives.

Pension Fund: H. R. 3513, transferring the Panama Railroad pension fund to the civil-service retirement and disability fund.

Chapel Construction: H. R. 3539, as amended, authorizing construction of a chapel at the Coast Guard Academy, and permitting acceptance of private contributions to assist in defraying construction costs thereof.

Oil Compact: S. J. Res. 122 (in lieu of H. J. Res. 211), consenting to an interstate oil compact to conserve oil and gas.

Retirement Fund: H. R. 1995, as amended, amending the Civil Service Retirement Act of 1930, providing for a return, on option, of contributions made to the retirement fund by civilian employees who are separated from the service before completing 10 years.

Government Checks: S. 1316, facilitating the negotiation of certain Government checks by extending the period of negotiability, and providing a simpler method of financing ultimate payments.

Vessel Contracts: H. R. 3051, as amended, amending the Vinson-Trammell Act of 1934, relating to profit limi-

tations of Army and Navy contracts for construction of vessels and aircraft.

Secretary of Commerce: S. 1421 (in lieu of H. R. 3855), providing for the appointment of one additional Assistant Secretary of Commerce.

Attorney General: H. R. 3566, as amended, extending authority of the Attorney General to adjust status of certain deportable individuals.

Wildlife Management: H. R. 107, as amended, authorizing wildlife management and control areas in the State of California.

Tropical Fisheries: H. R. 859, as amended, authorizing study of fisheries in the tropical and subtropical Pacific Ocean.

Personnel Transfer: H. R. 3494, as amended, integrating certain personnel of former Bureau of Marine Inspection and Navigation and the Bureau of Customs into the Regular Coast Guard.

Senate Office Building: S. 723, authorizing the preparation of preliminary plans and estimates for an additional Senate Office Building.

Capitol Grounds: S. 980, amending the act defining the area of the United States Capitol Grounds, to regulate the use thereof, relating to the functions of the Capitol Police Board.

Pardons: H. R. 175, conferring upon the Governor of Alaska the power to pardon and remit fines for offenses against the laws of the Territory of Alaska.

Air Transportation: H. R. 187, as amended, amending Public Law 304, 77th Congress, authorizing transportation by air for Federal employees and their families between the United States and Alaska.

Indian Citizenship: H. R. 205, as amended, amending the act approved May 7, 1934, authorizing the granting of citizenship to the Metlakatla Indians of Alaska.

Land Boundaries: H. R. 734, amending act approved February 12, 1925, relating to the land boundaries of the Quinalt Indian Reservation, Wash.

Timber Sale: H. R. 1337, authorizing payment of \$100 to each member of the Red Lake Band of Chippewas from the proceeds of timber sale on Red Lake Reservation.

Road Duties: H. R. 1554, amending the act approved June 30, 1932, relating to the duties of the Alaska Road Commission.

Zoning Power: H. R. 1609, authorizing the Legislature of the Territory of Alaska to provide for exercise of zoning power in town sites on Federal lands.

Indian Treaty: H. R. 2361, as amended, clarifying legal status of certain lands described in treaty between United States and the Delaware Indians, dated October 3, 1818.

Timber Payments: H. R. 2484, as amended, authorizing payment of certain sums to jobbers for timber logging on the Menominee Reservation during 1934-35.

High School: S. 686 (in lieu of H. R. 2996), authorizing

ing appropriation for public high-school facilities at Owyhee, Nev.

Game Laws: H. R. 3343, amending the Alaska game law to provide compensation to members of the Alaska Game Commission for services when engaged in investigations and hearings.

UNO Fund: H. R. 1938, as amended, authorizing appropriation for expenditure by the UNO International Children's Fund of certain amounts received from services of conscientious objectors.

Forest Lands: H. R. 3395, as amended, adding certain lands to the Modoc National Forest, Calif.

Submarginal Lands: H. R. 3153, as amended, providing for sale of certain submarginal lands located within the boundaries of Indian reservations in Montana.

Bond Issuances: H. R. 3679, as amended, enabling the Hawaiian Legislature to authorize Honolulu, a municipal corporation, to issue bonds;

S. 1420 (in lieu of H. R. 3266), authorizing the issuance of certain public improvement bonds by the Territory of Hawaii; and

H. R. 3376, ratifying an act of the Hawaiian Legislature, in 1947 session, relating to time extension within which revenue bonds may be issued.

Gas Pipe Lines: H. R. 2956, as amended, amending the Natural Gas Act of 1938 relating to the exercise of the rights of eminent domain by natural-gas companies in connection with rights-of-way for construction of natural-gas pipe lines.

Rural Post Roads: H. R. 3759, amending the act providing for Federal aid to the States in the construction of rural post roads relating to increase of administrative expenses of the Public Roads Administration and reduction of allocation of highway funds to States.

Separation Payment: H. R. 3501, amending Armed Forces Leave Act of 1946, providing for lump-sum payment of base pay in lieu of terminal leave at separation from the armed forces.

Advisory Board: H. R. 3672, creating an Academic Advisory Board for United States Merchant Marine Academy.

Chapel and Library: H. R. 3569, as amended, authorizing construction of a chapel and library at United States Merchant Marine Academy, and permitting acceptance of private contributions to assist in defraying construction costs thereof.

Telegram Rates: S. 816, repealing the Post Roads Act, as amended, relating to rates for handling of domestic telegrams sent by Government departments and officials.

Land Transfer: H. R. 2225, authorizing transfer to the United States section, International Boundary and Water Commission, of a portion of Fort McIntosh, Laredo, Tex.

Obsolete Ordnance: H. R. 3127, providing for loan or gift of obsolete ordnance to State homes for former members of the armed services.

Oil Leases: H. R. 3323, giving Osage Tribal Council right to determine bonus value of tracts for oil, gas, and other mining purposes on Osage Mineral Reservation, Okla.

School Aid: H. R. 2825, as amended, authorizing appropriation to aid in development of certain Minnesota public schools, available to both Indian and white children.

Rights-of-way: H. R. 3322, as amended, facilitating rights-of-way through Osage Indian land.

Restrictions: H. R. 3173, as amended, relating to restrictions applicable to Indians of the Five Civilized Tribes of Oklahoma.

New Coin: H. R. 1180, authorizing coinage of 50-cent piece commemorating the 100th anniversary of the admission of Wisconsin into the Union.

State Statutes: H. R. 3690, as amended, amending the Federal Tort Claims Act relating to certain death statutes and decisions in Alabama and Massachusetts.

Bankruptcy Referees: H. R. 1810, as amended, amending Criminal Code to enable part-time referees in bankruptcy to act as attorneys for claimants against the United States.

Oyster Beds: H. R. 3505, authorizing an appropriation for rehabilitation of oyster beds in the States of Mississippi and Louisiana.

Salmon Fishery: H. R. 3767, providing for the protection and preservation of the sockeye salmon fishery of the Fraser River system.

Radiotelegraph: H. R. 1036, as amended, licensing of marine radiotelegraph operators as ships' officers.

Fisheries Compact: H. R. 3598, as amended, granting congressional approval of Pacific-Marine Fisheries Compact.

Patent Filing: H. R. 3958, as amended, extending temporarily the time for filing patent applications and for taking action in the United States Patent Office with respect thereto.

Coast and Geodetic Survey: H. R. 3247, as amended, providing authority for certain functions of the Coast and Geodetic Survey; and

H. R. 3541, as amended, defining the functions and duties of the Coast and Geodetic Survey. Pages 8331-8367

Displaced Persons: Heard Presidential message urging legislation on admission of DP's into this country, which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and printed as House Document 382. Pages 8329-8330

Presidential Signature: Agreed to Senate amendments, thus completing congressional action on the following bills:

H. R. 3861, allowing successor railroad corporations the benefits of certain of their predecessor's carry-overs as presently provided by the Internal Revenue Code.

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H. R. 3333, transferring the vessel *Joseph Conrad* from St. Petersburg, Fla., to Mystic, Conn., for museum purposes. Page 8367

H. R. 811, for the relief of J. F. Powers. Page 8384

Emergency Powers: Disagreed to Senate amendments on H. R. 3647, Second Decontrol Act of 1947, agreed to conference asked, and Representatives Michener, Springer, and Cravens were appointed as House conferees. Page 8330

Terminal Leave Bonds: Passed H. R. 4017, a bill amending the Armed Forces Leave Pay Act of 1946, thereby permitting, but not requiring, holders of such terminal-pay bonds to cash them after September 1, 1947. At present, the bonds must be held for 5 years and are not transferable or salable.

This measure was called up for consideration under suspension of the rules, and passed by a unanimous roll-call vote of 388 yeas. Pages 8367-8369

Judicial Code and Judiciary: By a roll-call vote of 342 yeas to 23 nays, passed H. R. 3214, a bill to revise, codify, and enact into law Title 28 of the United States Code, entitled "Judicial Code and Judiciary." This revision includes all applicable laws in effect March 10, 1947.

This measure was called up for consideration under suspension of rules, and two minor amendments, offered from the floor, were adopted to the bill, which was sent to the Senate. Pages 8384-8392

Reports on Committee Meetings

COTTON

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee No. 2 held hearings on the general subject of cotton and heard Robert C. Jackson, Washington representative, the National Cotton Council of America, Washington, D. C., who testified on the origin, scope, and development of fact-finding study; Frank J. Welch, dean, school of agriculture, State College, Mississippi, who testified on adjustments toward efficient agriculture in the South; John W. Wright, Chief, Marketing Research Division, Cotton Branch, Production and Marketing Administration, who testified on the preparation for market and marketing of cotton and cottonseed; and L. D. Howell, Agricultural Economist, Bureau of Agricultural Economics, Washington, D. C., who testified on cotton-goods production and distribution techniques, costs, and margins. Hearings to be continued.

UNIVERSAL MILITARY TRAINING

Committee on Armed Services: Full committee held hearings on universal military training and heard J. Henry Scattergood, Greater Philadelphia Committee Against Conscription; Mrs. Alexander Stewart, Na-

tional Women's Committee to Oppose Conscription; and Mrs. Norton H. Pearl, president, American Legion Auxiliary, who testified in support of universal military training.

D. C. HOME RULE

Committee on the District of Columbia: Subcommittee on Home Rule and Reorganization met on the problem of Federal agencies operating in the District of Columbia, and heard Col. Donald G. White, District Engineer; Watson B. Miller, Federal Security Administration; Michael J. Shortley, Office of Vocational Rehabilitation; George P. Larrick, Assistant Commissioner, Food and Drug Administration; and William McCauley, Bureau of Employees Compensation. Hearings to be continued.

MINIMUM WAGE—MUSICIANS

Committee on Education and Labor: Subcommittee on Wages and Hours of Labor continued hearings on H. R. 3886, increasing minimum wage rate, and heard C. C. Sheppard, chairman, Southern Pine Industries; Clyde S. Bailey, executive vice president of United States Independent Telephone Association, both of whom testified against the legislation; Father Gordon, representing Most Rev. Bernard J. Sheil, auxiliary bishop of Chicago; and Dr. Lazare Teper, director, research, International Ladies' Garment Workers Union, both of whom testified for the bill. Hearings to be continued.

Subcommittee on the probe of James C. Petrillo held hearings and heard Mr. Petrillo, president of American Federation of Musicians; John Nuveen, Jr., Chicago, Ill.; and David T. Nederlander, Detroit, Mich. Mr. Petrillo said that the American Federation of Musicians may seek to ban radio chain broadcasts of music when present contracts expire in February 1948. He also declared his intention to let all music-recording contracts expire on December 31, 1947. Hearings to be continued.

ANTI-POLL TAX

Committee on House Administration: Subcommittee on Elections held hearings on various anti-poll-tax bills and heard Representative Dirksen, sponsor of H. R. 66. Hearings to be continued.

NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Met in executive session to consider National Science Foundation legislation. Mr. Wolvertson was authorized to introduce H. R. 4102, a new bill on National Science Foundation, to be brought before the committee in executive session.

GILA RECLAMATION PROJECT

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation held hearings on S. 483, to relocate boundaries of Gila reclamation project, and heard Raymond Matthew, chief engineer, Colorado River Board of California; and Arvin B. Shaw, Jr., assistant attorney general of California. Hearings to be continued.

HYDROELECTRIC POWER

Committee on Public Works: Concluded hearings on H. R. 3036, transfer of jurisdiction over certain power projects, and heard E. Robert DeLuccia, Chief, Bureau of Power, Federal Power Commission; and Edgar S. Coffman, Chief, Division of Rates, Federal Power Commission.

INCOME TAX—SUGAR—CROP INSURANCE

Committee on Rules: Heard Chairman Knutson and Representative Doughton, of the Committee on Ways and Means, who favored a rule providing consideration of H. R. 3950, a bill to reduce individual income-tax payments. A resolution waiving points of order, barring amendments, and providing 2 hours of general debate was ordered reported.

Heard Chairman Hope and Representatives Andersen, Granger, and Hill, of the Committee on Agriculture, who favored a rule providing consideration of H. R. 4075, a bill to regulate commerce among the several States, with the Territories and possessions of the United States, and with foreign countries; to protect the welfare of consumers of sugars and of those engaged in the domestic sugar-producing industry; to promote the export trade of the United States; and for other purposes. Representative Flannagan, ranking minority member of the Committee on Agriculture, appeared in opposition to the granting of the rule. A resolution providing 2 hours of debate and waiving points of order was reported.

Heard Chairman Hope in favor of a rule providing consideration of H. R. 3465, a bill to amend the Federal Crop Insurance Act. Hearings will be continued.

TAX REVISION

Committee on Ways and Means: Continued hearings on general tax revisions and heard A. E. Brooks, attorney, at law, Fort Worth, Tex.; John S. Carlson, general counsel, Seismograph Service Corporation, Tulsa, Okla., both of whom testified on tax exemption of earned income of United States citizens who are bona fide nonresidents of the United States; John G. Land, Cuban Tobacco Co., Inc., New York, N. Y., who testified on dividends received from a resident foreign corporation; Frank R. Pentlarge, New York, N. Y., who testified on personal foreign holding companies; Harrison P. Eddy, Jr., Boston, Mass.; W. D. Gerlach, LeSueur, Minn.; and H. J. Humphrey, New York, N. Y., representing the National

Canners Association, Washington, D. C.; Lawrence S. Martin, executive secretary, Frozen Food Packers Association, and Senator Kilgore and Representative Kee, all of whom testified on tax exemption for amounts paid by industrial plants for treatment of waste (prevention of stream pollution). Hearings to be continued.

Met in executive session and voted to suspend the current hearings on general tax revisions at the end of the third week of July, until early in November. At that time the committee will resume hearings on all phases of tax revisions and continue such hearings for several weeks following that date.

Upon its return in November, the committee intends to take up the subjects of pension trusts; pensions and annuities; tax-exempt corporations under section 101 of the Internal Revenue Code and other subjects for which a demand for hearings may develop. The order in which these subjects will be taken up was not announced by the committee.

REPORT ON JOINT COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Conferees on H. R. 3737, D. C. tax bill, reached agreement and filed a report (H. Rept. 801). The agreement provides that employees of the Federal Government in D. C., domiciled in another jurisdiction for the whole taxable year, shall be exempted from payment of D. C. income tax.

BILLS SIGNED BY THE PRESIDENT

(New Laws)

(For last listing of Public Laws, see p. D338)

H. R. 4031, providing temporary extension of appropriations beyond June 30, until annual supply bills are enacted. Signed July 3, 1947 (P. L. 161);

H. R. 775, for the establishment of a Commission on Organization of the Executive Branch of the Government. Signed July 7, 1947 (P. L. 162); and

H. R. 3611, D. C. teachers' pay bill. Signed July 7, 1947 (P. L. 163).

Tuesday, July 8, 1947

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate confirmed Dooley nomination.

House passed income-tax reduction bill by a vote of 302 to 112.

Bills on War appropriation, military, and stream pollution reported to Senate.

National Science Foundation and Presidential succession bills ordered reported to House.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 8396-8397.

Bills Introduced: Nine bills were introduced, as follows: S. 1578-S. 1586. Pages 8397, 8430

Bills Reported: Bills and resolutions were reported as follows:

S. 1512, to authorize interagency transfers and consolidations of appropriations by FSA (S. Rept. 451);

S. 929, to relieve Inspector General of Army from duties of inspecting Soldiers' Home (S. Rept. 452);

S. J. Res. 70, to commission late Col. Wm. Mitchell as a major general (S. Rept. 453);

Private relief bill S. 474 (S. Rept. 454);

S. 703, to authorize carrying of Civil War battle streamers with regimental colors (S. Rept. 455);

S. 739, authorizing transfer of a portion of Ft. McIntosh in Texas (S. Rept. 456);

H. R. 2314, relating to lump-sum payments to survivors (S. Rept. 457);

Three bills authorizing Secretary of Navy to convey easements: H. R. 3053, 3056, and 3252 (S. Repts. 458, 459, and 460, respectively);

S. 1293, to enable the VA to provide housing units for certain disabled veterans of World War II (S. Rept. 461); and

S. 418, to provide for control of stream pollution (S. Rept. 462). Pages 8396-8397

Bills Referred: The following House-passed bills were referred to the committees indicated: H. R. 107, 859, 1036, 3247, 3350, 3494, 3505, 3539, 3541, 3569, 3598, 3672, and H. R. 3767 (Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce); H. R. 175, 187, 205, 734, 1337, 1554, 1609, 2361, 2484, 2825, 2938, 3153, 3173, 3322, 3323, 3343, 3376, 3395, and 3679 (Committee on Public Lands); H. R. 1180 (Committee on Banking and Currency); H. R. 1260, 3051, 3127, 3501, and 4017 (Committee on Armed Services); H. R. 1810, 3214, 3555, 3566, 3690, and 3958 (Committee on the Judiciary); H. R. 1938 (Committee on Foreign Relations); H. R. 2225 (Committee on Expendi-

tures in the Executive Departments); H. R. 1995 and 3638 (Committee on Civil Service); H. R. 3950 (Committee on Finance); H. R. 3146, 3219, and 3759 (Committee on Public Works); H. R. 2956 and 3513 (Calendar). (For passage in House, see Digest, pp. D345-D347.) Pages 8422-8423

Dooley Nomination: Senate confirmed by 48 yeas to 36 nays nomination of Joe B. Dooley, to be judge of the northern district of Texas, after defeating by 39 yeas to 46 nays motion of Senator O'Daniel to recommit nomination to Committee on the Judiciary. Pages 8397-8421

Water Rights: By a vote of 35 yeas to 41 nays, and 1 present, decision of the Chair referring S. J. Res. 145, water rights of Western States, to the Committee on the Judiciary was overruled. The resolution was then referred to Committee on Public Lands. Pages 8423-8430

D. C. Taxes: Conference report on H. R. 3737, D. C. tax bill, was agreed to, clearing bill for President. H. Con. Res. 58, permitting correction in bill, was approved. Pages 8430-8431

Weather Bureau: House amendments to S. 640, to authorize the Secretary of Commerce to sell certain Weather Bureau property in Michigan, were agreed to, clearing it for President. Page 8431

Confirmations: The following nominations were confirmed: Marvin Jones, to be Chief Justice of Court of Claims; John C. Collet, judge for the 8th Circuit; James Earl Wells, Jr., FCA Cooperative Bank Commissioner; Rear Admiral Albert G. Noble, Chief of the Bureau of Ordnance; David Chavez, Jr., to be United States district judge for Puerto Rico; Henry O. Camp, marshal for northern district of Georgia; Loomis E. Cranor, marshal for the western district of Kentucky; together with 63 in the Navy, 5 in the Marine Corps, 99 in the Army, and 1 in the Coast and Geodetic Survey. Pages 8433-8434

Nominations: The following nominations were received: Carl J. Werner, to be marshal for the eastern district of Illinois, and one foreign service appointment. Pages 8432-8433

Reports on Committee Meetings

WAR DEPARTMENT

Committee on Appropriations: H. R. 3678, War Department appropriation bill, was approved and will be reported tomorrow, proposing a total of \$5,616,618,799, which excludes \$543,490,000 in contract authorizations for which cash payments will not be required in the fiscal year 1948. The amount of the bill as passed by the House is \$5,280,982,423; the increase by the Senate committee is \$335,636,376. As approved, it is under the estimates by \$100,172,701, and under the appropriation for 1947 by \$2,412,923,601.

MILITARY BILLS ACTED ON

Committee on Armed Services: Hearings were held on S. 1143, S. 1197, and S. 1511, to authorize \$100 a month additional pay for doctors in the Armed Services, but no action to report bill was taken.

In an executive evening session on Monday, July 7, committee considered and took action on various bills, as follows:

Approved for reporting, S. 474, to correct administrative error in promotion of Samuel E. Belk to grade of captain; S. 703, to authorize carrying of Civil War battle streamers with regimental colors, with amendments; S. 929, to relieve Inspector General of Army from duties of inspecting Soldiers' Home; S. J. Res. 70, to commission late Col. William Mitchell as major general; H. R. 3053, easement of lands in Hawaii; H. R. 3055, to authorize Secretaries of War and Navy to sell utilities and related services, with amendment; H. R. 3056, easement in lands in Bibb County, Ga.; H. R. 3252, land easement in Long Beach, Calif.; H. R. 3215, to revise medical departments of the Army and Navy; H. R. 2314, relating to lump-sum payments to survivors; and S. 739, authorizing transfer of a portion of Ft. McIntosh in Texas.

The following were indefinitely postponed: H. R. 2183, to convey Ft. Wayne to Detroit; and S. 1112, providing for transfer of Ft. Douglas.

Action was held over on the following: S. 759, providing for the detail of military and naval missions to foreign countries; H. R. 1366, Army-Navy procurement bill; H. R. 1380, to amend the laws regarding death gratuities; and H. R. 3191, to extend benefits of Missing Persons Act to certain Filipinos.

Pending nominations of Army, Navy, and Marine Corps were approved.

HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: In open hearings on S. 1459 and H. R. 3492, to provide for expeditious disposition of certain war housing, and S. 1179, to terminate Executive Order 9070, to establish the Home Loan Bank Board, and to establish a Federal Home Loan and Housing Board, the committee heard Representative Fletcher propose an amendment to H. R. 3492; Raymond M. Foley, NHA Administrator, oppose enactment of all three bills; Vice Admiral Robert J. Carney, Rear Admiral J. F. Jelly, and Gen. John S. Bragdon submit proposed amendments to H. R. 3492; Robert R. Poston, American Legion, favor passage of all three bills; Chat Patterson, AVC, oppose S. 1459 and H. R. 3492; Omar Ketchum, VFW, analyze the measures, endorsing provisions of each; Joseph T. King, National Retail Lumber Dealers Assn., favor the legislation; Calvin K. Snyder, National Assn. of Real Estate Boards, urge approval of S. 1459 and S. 1179; and William J. Donovan, housing authority for city of Newport, oppose S. 1459 and H. R. 3492. Hearings to be continued.

POSTMASTERS AND CIVIL SERVICE

Committee on Civil Service: One hundred and three nominations for postmasterships were approved and 20 others were certified for further consideration.

S. 1227, to revise the salary rates for postal mechanics; H. R. 1350, to amend act establishing National Archives, regarding restrictions on the certification of records; and S. 1537, to increase salaries for members of Cabinet, boards, and commissions, were referred to different subcommittees for study.

Full committee meets Friday, July 11, for consideration of S. 416, to grant veterans' preference to widowed mothers whose sons were killed or totally disabled in war.

UN SITE

Committee on Foreign Relations: In executive session, heard State Department Solicitor Charles Fahy on S. J. Res. 144, to authorize President to effect agreement with UN for locating its headquarters in New York.

Sundry appointments in the Diplomatic and Foreign Service were approved.

DISTRICT JUDGE

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee met to consider nomination of Leo F. Rayfiel, to be United States district judge for eastern district of New York. Further hearings were announced for Tuesday, July 15.

SOLICITOR GENERAL

Committee on the Judiciary: Paul A. Ahlstrom, of Baltimore, testified before the subcommittee on the nomination of Philip B. Perlman, to be solicitor general of the United States. Hearings continue Saturday, July 12.

STREAM POLLUTION

Committee on Public Works: Reported, with amendments, S. 418, to provide for control of stream pollution. The three major proposed changes include substitution of Federal financial assistance in abatement of polluted streams by means of Federal second-lien loans instead of grants-in-aid; Federal enforcement of stream-abatement orders would be provided only after efforts by State authorities had been exhausted, and then only with State consent; and responsibility for administering of Federal laws would be placed under the Federal Works Administrator.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Nine public bills, H. R. 4106-4114; four private bills, H. R. 4115-4118; and seven resolutions, H. Res. 274-276, H. J. Res. 231-233, and H. Con. Res. 58, were introduced. Pages 8435, 8475, 8484

Bills Reported: Bills, resolutions, and reports were reported as follows:

Part II (H. Rept. 735), minority views on H. R. 3150, amending the Railroad Unemployment Insurance Act, relative to maternity insurance and sick benefits.

Part II (H. Rept. 796), supplemental report on H. R. 4075, Sugar Act of 1948.

H. Res. 274, rule providing 1 hour's debate on H. R. 3952, permitting erection of a Federal Reserve Bank branch building (H. Rept. 803);

H. Res. 275, rule providing 2 hours' general debate on H. J. Res. 222, terminating consumer credit controls (H. Rept. 804);

H. R. 1809, facilitating the use of national forest lands in Alaska (H. Rept. 805);

H. R. 4106, District of Columbia appropriation bill for 1948 (H. Rept. 806);

H. R. 4071, amending the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act relating to misbranding of foods and

drugs, and seizure and condemnation of same (H. Rept. 807);

H. R. 3889, amending Veterans Regulations to establish presumption of service connection for chronic and tropical diseases (H. Rept. 808); and

H. R. 3862, authorizing FWA to grant to Montgomery County, Pa., land for erection of a courthouse annex (H. Rept. 810). Page 8484

Science Foundation: Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce was granted permission to file by midnight Tuesday, July 8, a report on H. R. 4102, National Science Foundation bill. Page 8480

Order of Business: Agreed to dispense with Calendar Wednesday, business of Wednesday, July 9. Page 8469

Tax Bill: Passed by a vote of 302 yeas to 112 nays, H. R. 3950, a bill to reduce individual income-tax payments. In substance, the measure is identical with that which was vetoed except that the reduction of 10½ to 30 percent on individual incomes would be effective January 1, 1948, instead of July 1, 1947. A motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Ways and Means with instructions was defeated by a vote of 151 yeas to 261 nays.

Adopted a special rule, H. Res. 272, providing for consideration, waiving all points of order, and allowing amendments by the Committee on Ways and Means.

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Bills Referred: The following Senate-passed bills were referred to the committees indicated: S. 1087 and 1249 (Agriculture); S. 8, 1402, 1442, 1462 (District of Columbia); S. 364, 1350, and 1515 (Expenditures in Executive Departments); S. Con. Res. 18 and S. J. Res. 129 (House Administration); S. Con. Res. 14 and S. J. Res. 138 (Interstate and Foreign Commerce); S. 136, 186, 187, 189, 190, 298, 409, 1043, and 1508 (Judiciary); S. 1180 (Post Office and Civil Service); S. 714 and 1317 (Public Lands); S. J. Res. 98 (Foreign Affairs). (For passage in Senate, see Digest, p. D339-D340.)

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Interior Appropriations: Disagreed to Senate amendments on H. R. 3123, Department of Interior appropriation bill for 1948, agreed to the conference asked, and Representatives Jones of Ohio, Jensen, Fenton, Stockman, Case of South Dakota, Kirwan, Rooney, Gore, and Norrell were appointed conferees on the part of the House.

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Concealed Weapons: Disagreed to Senate amendments on H. R. 493, regulating sales and possession of firearms in D. C., agreed to the conference asked, and Representatives O'Hara, Allen of California, and Abernethy, were appointed conferees on the part of the House.

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PRESIDENTIAL SIGNATURE

D. C. Revenue: Agreed to the conference report (H. Rept. 801), D. C. Revenue Act of 1947. Agreed to H. Con. Res. 58, permitting corrections to be made in the bill.

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Parole Board: Agreed to Senate amendments to H. R. 494, reorganizing the parole system of the District of Columbia.

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Andrew Mellon: Agreed to Senate amendments on H. J. Res. 170, erecting a statue to Andrew Mellon in the District of Columbia.

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Fascism in Action: Agreed to House Resolution 83 (H. Rept. 809), authorizing the printing, as a House Document, the manuscript prepared by the Legislative Reference Service, entitled "Fascism in Action." A motion to recommit the resolution to the Committee on House Administration was defeated, 115 yeas to 124 nays.

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Reports on Committee Meetings COTTON

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee No. 2 continued hearings on the problems confronting the Cotton Belt and heard M. K. Horne, Jr., Director of Utilization

Research, National Cotton Council of America, Washington, D. C., who testified on the competitive position of cotton with other materials; Maurice Cooper, Agricultural Economist, Bureau of Agricultural Economics, Washington, D. C., who discussed foreign market outlets for American cotton and cotton manufactures; and Frank J. Welch, dean, school of agriculture, State College, Mississippi, who gave a summary of fact-finding program.

ORDNANCE DISPOSAL

Committee on Armed Services: Full committee met to hear subcommittee reports. H. R. 2575, military justice bill, was carried over until July 15. Committee agreed to report favorably to the House H. R. 774, authorization for disposition of condemned ordnance, guns, projectiles.

FDIC STOCK

Committee on Banking and Currency: Held hearings on S. 1070, to provide for the cancellation of the capital stock of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation and the refund of moneys received for such stock, and heard Maple T. Harl, Chairman, Board of Directors, FDIC, who testified in favor of the bill. Hearings will be continued.

D. C. HOME RULE

Committee on the District of Columbia: Subcommittee on Home Rule and Reorganization held hearings on the problem of administrative boards, commissions, and independent agencies, and heard Commissioners John Russell Young, Guy Mason, and Gordon Young; and Theodore Cogswell, Register of Wills. Hearings will be continued.

MUSICIANS—MINIMUM WAGE

Committee on Education and Labor: Subcommittee on the Probe of James C. Petrillo continued hearings and heard James C. Petrillo, president, American Federation of Musicians; George Jennings, director of radio activities for the Chicago city schools; and James C. Thompson, theatre manager, Chicago. Hearings will be continued July 14.

Subcommittee on Wages and Hours of Labor continued hearings on H. R. 3886, increasing minimum wage rate, and heard Representative Larcade; Walter J. Mason, national legislative representative, American Federation of Labor; Wm. R. McComb, Administrator of the Wage and Hour Division, Department of Labor; Mrs. Louis Ottenberg, National Council of Jewish Women; Elizabeth S. Magee, National Consumers League, all of whom testified in favor of the bill; and A. J. Glassow, National Lumber Manufacturers Association, who testified in opposition to the bill. Hearings will be continued.

NATIONAL SECURITY ACT OF 1947

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Subcommittee to mark up H. R. 2319, National Security Act of 1947, met in executive session. Meeting will be continued.

INTER-AMERICAN MILITARY COOPERATION

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Met in executive session for further consideration of H. R. 3836, Inter-American Military Cooperation Act. Meeting will be continued.

ANTI-POLL TAX

Committee on House Administration: Subcommittee on Elections continued hearings on various anti-poll-tax bills, and heard Leslie Perry, National Association for the Advancement of Colored People. Hearings will be continued.

Subcommittee on Accounts met in executive session.

SCIENCE FOUNDATION—PETROLEUM

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Met in executive session to consider H. R. 4102, National Science Foundation, and H. R. 4071, Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act amendment. Both bills were ordered favorably reported.

H. R. 4102 places special emphasis on cancer and poliomyelitis research and contemplates the expenditure of about \$25,000,000 annually to promote the progress of science, the national health and welfare, and the national defense. The foundation would have 24 members all appointed by the President.

Continued public hearing before full committee on petroleum situation and heard Col. G. H. Vogel, Army Petroleum Board, War Department; Capt. Ralph Wilson, Navy Petroleum Board, Navy Department; Charles Rayner, petroleum adviser, State Department; Col. J. Monroe Johnson, Director, ODT; William C. Foster, Under Secretary of Commerce; and Dr. Francis McIntyre, Department of Commerce. Hearings will be continued.

PRESIDENTIAL SUCCESSION

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 1 met in executive session on presidential succession bills and favorably reported S. 564, to provide for the performance of the duties of the office of President in case of the removal, resignation, death, or inability both of the President and Vice President, to the full committee, following which the full committee ordered the bill favorably reported to the House.

WILDLIFE—OCEAN STATIONS

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Subcommittee on Conservation of Wildlife Resources met in executive session to consider H. R. 3487, to abolish the Parker River National Wildlife Refuge in Essex County, Mass.; and H. R. 3578, to reduce the area of the Parker

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River National Wildlife Refuge. Hearing will be continued.

Subcommittee on Coast Guard, Coast and Geodetic Survey, and Public Health Service held hearings on H. R. 3132, to authorize the Coast Guard to operate and maintain ocean stations, and heard J. Paul Barringer, Assistant Chief, State Department; and Chris Lample, Civil Aeronautics Administration. Hearing will be continued.

CENSUS (FATS AND OILS)

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Hagen subcommittee met in executive session, on H. R. 3895, Census (fats and oils). Subcommittee voted to report bill favorably to full committee with amendments. The major amendments were: (a) Eliminating the requirement that under the bill statistics would be collected for crude and refined vegetable oils, type or kind, imported and exported. This was eliminated because it is already provided for in other statutes. (b) More latitude was provided in the bill so that the Director would not be required to collect more frequently than he deems necessary to provide reliable statistical data from producers and consumers of such fats and oils in a volume as to be inconsequential.

FIELD INVESTIGATIONS

Committee on Public Lands: Met in open session to discuss field investigations during the summer recess.

MONTGOMERY COUNTY (PA.) COURTHOUSE

Committee on Public Works: Met in executive session and ordered favorably reported to the House H. R. 3862, conveying a parcel of Federal land to Norristown, Pa., to be used for erection of an annex to county courthouse, Montgomery County, Pa.

FEDERAL RESERVE—CONSUMER CREDIT— RETIREMENT

Committee on Rules: Heard Chairman Wolcott and Representative Spence, of the Committee on Banking and Currency, who favored a rule providing consideration of H. R. 3952, a bill to amend section 10 of the Federal Reserve Act, as amended, and for other purposes. A resolution providing 1 hour of debate was ordered reported.

Chairman Wolcott and Representative Spence also favored a rule providing consideration of H. J. Res. 222, which would terminate consumer credit controls. A resolution providing 2 hours of debate was ordered reported.

Heard Chairman Rees, Representatives Stevenson, Corbett, and Miller, of the Committee on Post Office and Civil Service, who favored a rule providing consideration of H. R. 3872, a bill to amend the Civil Service Retirement Act of May 29, 1930, as amended. Hearings on the bill will be continued at 10 a. m., July 9.

DISABLED VETERANS HOUSING

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Full committee held public hearing on H. R. 4077, special houses for disabled veterans, and heard Gen. Omar N. Bradley, Administrator of Veterans' Affairs; Dr. Paul R. Hawley, Medical Director, Veterans' Administration; Guy H. Birdsall, Assistant Administrator for Legislation, Veterans' Administration; and Ray Bland, assistant to Mr. Birdsall, all of whom testified in favor of the bill.

TAX REVISION

Committee on Ways and Means: Continued hearings on corporate tax revisions and heard Mitchell Carroll, National Foreign Trade Council, Inc., New York, N. Y., who discussed the subject of foreign holding companies; William Shelmerdine, Jr., representing the Penobscot Chemical Fibre Co., Boston, Mass.; George S. Eaton, executive secretary, National Tool & Die Manufacturers Association, Cleveland, Ohio; Alden D. Walker, of Smith, Hinchman & Crylls, Inc., Chicago, Ill.; O. J. Weber, Reade Manufacturing Co., Jersey City, N. J.; and Frederick S. Blackall, president, Pierce Manufacturing Co., Woonsocket R. I., chairman, committee on fiscal problems, National Machine Tool Builders Association, all of whom discussed depreciation and obsoles-

cence, amortization of emergency facilities. Hearings will be continued.

REPORT ON JOINT COMMITTEE MEETINGS
ECONOMIC CONDITIONS

Joint Committee on the Economic Report: Continuing hearings on economic conditions, joint committee heard Matthew Woll, AFL, discuss economic aspects of concern to labor, and Albert S. Goss, master of National Grange, review the general program recommended by his organization designed "to reduce the danger of inflation." Hearings continue tomorrow.

WAR POWERS AND EXPORT CONTROL

Conferees on H. R. 3647, War Powers and Export Control Act met but arrived at no agreement.

BILLS SIGNED BY THE PRESIDENT

(New Laws)

(For last listing of Public Laws, see p. D349)

S. J. Res. 124, to use certain funds in the liquidation of UNRRA. Signed July 8, 1947 (P. L. 164); and H. R. 2700, Labor-Federal Security appropriations bill. Signed July 8, 1947 (P. L. 165).

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HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed National Security Establishment and crop-insurance bills.
House passed D. C. appropriation bill for 1948 and debated sugar bill.
Bills on tax reductions, legislative appropriations, and pay-roll taxes approved by Senate groups.
Milk price support bill ordered reported to House.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 8485-8489.

Bills Introduced: Seven bills and five resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1587-S. 1593, S. Con. Res. 23 and 24; S. Res. 142-144.

Pages: 8485-8486, 8487-8488, 8506-8517

Bills Reported: Bills were reported as follows:

H. R. 3055, to authorize Secs. of War and Navy to sell utilities and related services (S. Rept. 463);
H. R. 3215, to revise medical departments of the Army and Navy (S. Rept. 464);
H. R. 3678, War Department appropriation bill (S. Rept. 465);

H. R. 1448, licensing of D. C. buildings used for living quarters (S. Rept. 466);
H. R. 3993, legislative appropriations (S. Rept. 467);
S. 1481, to authorize the D. C. commissioners to establish daylight saving time (no written report);
H. R. 3131, to extend for 1 year D. C. Rent Control Act (no written report);
H. R. 3744, to authorize contracts for railroad siding in D. C. (no written report); and
H. R. 3950, providing personal income-tax reduction beginning January 1, 1948 (S. Rept. 468).

Pages: 8486, 8489

National Security Establishment: Senate passed by voice vote S. 758, to create a National Security Establish-

ment, after adopting an amendment by Senator Taft clarifying the duties of the National Security Council. Amendments by Senator Robertson of Wyoming were defeated, which would have clarified the position of the Sec. of National Security, provided for rotation of the Director of the Joint Chiefs of Staff from among the three services, and further defined the functions of the Munitions Board. An amendment by Senator McCarthy, prohibiting change in the status of the Marine Corps, was defeated 19 yeas to 52 nays.

Pages: 8489-8506, 8517-8528

Crop Insurance: S. 1326, amending generally the Federal Crop Insurance Act, was passed after adoption of an amendment providing for increase in the capital stock by 25 million dollars.

Pages: 8528-8529

Relief: House amendments to S. 116, private relief bill were adopted, clearing it for President.

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Nominations: The following nominations were received: A. Roy Ashley and Chester S. Dishong, to be marshals for the western district of S. C. and southern district of Fla., together with 23 appointments in the Public Health Service, and 70 postmasters.

Pages: 8529-8530

Reports on Committee Meetings

LEGISLATIVE APPROPRIATION

Committee on Appropriations: H. R. 3993, legislative appropriation bill, was reported carrying a total of \$55,596,908, which is an increase of \$701,903 over the House-approved figure of \$54,895,005. As approved, the bill is \$20,556,169 under the 1948 estimates, and \$6,684,287 under 1947 appropriations.

AGRICULTURE APPROPRIATION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on H. R. 3601, Agriculture Department appropriations bill, continued "marking up" bill.

INDEPENDENT OFFICES

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on H. R. 3839, independent offices appropriation bill, continued "marking up" bill.

WAR DEPARTMENT CIVIL

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee opened hearings on H. R. 4002, War Department civil functions appropriation bill, with testimony from Chief of Engineers and the Mayors of Louisville, Ky., and Parkersburg, W. Va.

WACS, WAVES, AND TERMINAL LEAVE BONDS

Committee on Armed Services: In executive session, subcommittee on S. 1103, WAC bill, and S. 1527, WAVE bill, agreed to report to full committee, at meeting evening of July 10, a combined bill establishing a perma-

nent Women's Army Corps and authorizing enlistment of women in Navy and Marine Corps.

Another subcommittee agreed to report to committee H. R. 4017, to authorize the redemption after September 1 of terminal leave bonds.

HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: In further hearings on S. 1459 and H. R. 3492, to provide for expeditious disposition of certain war housing, and S. 1179, to terminate Executive Order 9070, to establish the Home Loan Bank Board, and to establish a Federal Home Loan and Housing Board, committee heard Geo. W. West, U. S. Chamber of Commerce; Morton Bodfish, U. S. Savings and Loan League; Waldo Roberts, Cumberland Road Homes Assn.; and John M. Dickerman, National Assn. of Home Builders, testify in support of all three bills: Tom Dobson, local housing authority, Renton, Wash.; and Boris Shishkin, AFL, oppose H. R. 3492 and S. 1459; Elwood Cappeles, Vancouver, Wash., oppose the bills; Representative Phillips of California discuss a local housing problem at Riverside, Calif.; Carl H. Ellingson, National Savings and Loan League, oppose S. 1179; Natalie Moorman, Dunbar-Carver Housing Projects, Arlington, propose amendments to H. R. 3402; and C. J. Thompson, Elmwood, Conn., oppose sale of Government homes. Also testifying were Mayor Leon Moore and Geo. B. Dean, FHA, Spartanburg, S. C.; A. D. Hill, Wayne, Mich.; and Robert Sasser, Tenants' Committee on Mutual Housing, Wayne, Mich. Full committee meets tomorrow (July 10).

INCOME TAX, PAY-ROLL TAXES, AND OTHER FINANCIAL BILLS

Committee on Finance: By a vote of 10 to 3, committee approved, without amendment, H. R. 3950, to reduce individual income-tax payments, effective January 1, 1948, after defeating by a vote of 10 to 3 the Lucas substitute tax plan (increasing personal exemptions and proposing changes in surtax rates).

It approved H. R. 3818, amending Federal Insurance Contributions Act, freezing pay-roll taxes, with the following proposed amendments: Amend sections 1 and 2 by freezing contribution rate at 1 percent for 2 years including through December 31, 1949; and amend sections 4 and 5 (relative to loan provisions) to continue temporarily through December 31, 1949.

The following bills were also approved: H. R. 3961, providing pension increases for Spanish-American and Civil War veterans and dependents; S. 1584, to protect consumers of sugar and sugar-producing industry; S. 1014, relative to taxes on articles produced in Virgin Islands, with amendment; H. R. 4011, amending Federal unemployment tax, permitting voluntary contributions to be used in computation of reduced rates, if paid within a certain time; S. 1576, to give subpoena power to Secretary of the Treasury for conducting

hearings in connection with issuing alcoholic permits; and S. Res. 141, to authorize an investigation of social-security program.

It agreed to hold hearings on H. R. 3810, amending Tariff Act of 1930, to clarify procedure in ascertaining the value of foreign currency for customs purposes.

The following nominations to be customs collectors were ordered reported: Mrs. Nora M. Harris, at Bridgeport; William J. Storen, at Charleston; and Abe B. Waldauer, at Memphis.

CONGRESSIONAL PRIMARY INVESTIGATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee, in executive session, agreed to report to full committee, at meeting on Monday, July 14, S. Res. 116, to authorize investigation concerning the failure of the Department of Justice "to act with respect to alleged irregularities in the Democratic primary election held in the Fifth Congressional District of Missouri on August 6, 1946."

PUBLIC LIBRARY SERVICE

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee, in executive session, agreed to report to full committee, at next meeting, S. 48, to provide \$25,000 a year for each of 4 years by the Federal Government to States for the demonstration of public library service with provision for additional sums to meet expanded plans by States.

VETERANS' SUBSISTENCE

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee approved for reporting to committee, at next meeting, S. 1236, to increase monthly subsistence for vocational rehabilitation to veterans in service-connected cases, to \$115 without dependents, \$145 with a dependent, plus \$20 for one child and \$15 for each addi-

tional child, and \$25 for a dependent parent, with amendments.

HEALTH LEGISLATION

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee, continuing hearings on S. 545, to create an independent national health agency, and S. 1320, National Health Insurance and Public Health Act of 1947, heard the following witnesses testify generally in support of S. 1320: E. F. Poss, Fraternal Order of Eagles, Springfield, Ohio; Watson B. Miller, FSA Administrator; Dr. Thomas Parran, United States Surgeon General; and Katharine F. Lenroot and William L. Mitchell, both of Social Security Administration.

WEST VIRGINIA CONTESTED ELECTION

Committee on Rules and Administration: Subcommittee on Privileges and Elections, in executive session, agreed to recommend to full committee that a full-scale investigation be conducted into election frauds and irregularities alleged by complaint to exist in 12 counties in West Virginia senatorial election contest.

Subcommittee also agreed to request that counsel for both Senator O'Connor and D. John Markey in Maryland senatorial election contest be asked to expedite their review of challenged ballots.

SMALL BUSINESS—STEEL

Special Committee to Study Problems of American Small Business: Walter S. Tower, American Iron & Steel Institute, N. Y., discussed over-all steel supply and the needs of smaller manufacturers before Subcommittee on Steel. R. B. Townsend, Baker Manufacturing Co., Omaha; H. T. Berry, Chandler Co., Cedar Rapids; and A. J. Legeson, R. R. Howell Co., Minneapolis, told of their needs of steel pipe and available supply. Hearings to be continued.

H. Res. 279, rule granting 1 hour's general debate on H. R. 3682, extending period to provide assistance for certain war-incurred school enrollments (H. Rept. 812);

H. R. 774, permitting the Secretary of the Treasury to dispose of certain obsolete combat materials by loan or gift (H. Rept. 815);

H. R. 2744, providing for elimination of Regular Army officers and for retirement of Regular Army personnel and personnel of the reserved components of all services (H. Rept. 816); and

S. 564, Presidential succession bill (H. Rept. 817).

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House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Nine public bills, H. R. 4119-4127; eight private bills, H. R. 4128-4135; and thirteen resolutions, H. Res. 277-279, and H. Con. Res. 59-68, were introduced.

Pages 8531, 8566-8567

Bills Reported: Bills and resolutions were reported as follows:

H. Res. 278, rule granting 1 hour's general debate on H. R. 4051, amending Natural Gas Act relative to jurisdiction of Federal Power Commission fixing rates for sale of natural gas in interstate commerce (H. Rept. 811);

House Employee: Considered, reported, and agreed to H. Res. 266 (H. Rept. 813), granting 6 months' salary and \$250 toward defrayment of funeral expenses to widow of late House employee.

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Food Shipments: Considered adverse report (H. Rept. 814), on H. Res. 258, requesting Secretary of State to furnish House of Representatives full information relative to food shipped from Greece to this country; which resolution was ordered to lie on the table.

Pages 8533-8534

Presidential Signature: Agreed to Senate amendments, thereby completing all legislative action, on the following private claims bills: H. R. 1585, H. R. 1658, H. R. 1954, and H. R. 1956.

Pages 8531-8532

D. C. Appropriations: Passed by voice vote, H. R. 4106, the District of Columbia appropriation bill for 1948. As passed, this measure supplies \$95,918,400 for the operations of the essential functions of the D. C. Government, which amount is \$165,350 above the Budget estimate for 1948 and \$10,216,063 above the amount appropriated for the same functions in 1947.

This is the last of the regular departmental appropriation bills for 1948 to be sent to the Senate in this session.

Pages 8535-8549

Sugar Bill: Adopted H. Res. 273, special rule waiving points of order against, and granting 2 hours' general debate on, H. R. 4075, a bill designed to stabilize sugar-producing, refining, and importing industries. Completed about an hour of the general debate and postponed further consideration until July 10.

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Reports on Committee Meetings

TONGASS NATIONAL FOREST

Committee on Agriculture: Concluded hearings on H. J. Res. 205, sale of timber within Tongass National Forest, and heard Charles F. Brannon, Assistant Secretary of Agriculture; M. G. White, Solicitor for Department of the Interior. Later, in executive session, the committee ordered the bill favorably reported, as amended.

UNIVERSAL MILITARY TRAINING

Committee on Armed Services: Full committee continued hearings on the subject of universal military training, and heard William Gausmann, Washington representative, Socialist Party; Edwin Lupow, representing the Young Progressive Citizens of America; Charles Bolling, vice chairman, American Veterans' Committee; and Perry Brown, chairman, American Legion security committee. Hearings will be continued.

Pay and Administration Subcommittee met and ordered favorably reported to the full committee, with

amendment, H. R. 3540, to authorize the payment of certain claims for medical care and treatment of Service personnel.

MEAT SUBSIDIES—MILK SUPPORT

Committee on Banking and Currency: Held hearings on H. R. 1976 and H. R. 3738, providing for retroactive premium payments to certain slaughterers, and heard Representatives Sikes and Havenner; George Zeigler, representing the Southern Packing Co. of Tallahassee, Fla.; and Barnett Sumski, representing J. G. Johnson, Inc., of San Francisco, Calif., all of whom testified in favor of the bill.

Met in executive session on H. R. 3370, providing for a support price of milk, and ordered the bill favorably reported, with amendment. Under the bill the Secretary of Agriculture is directed to announce the support price for all milk produced in the United States until December 31, 1948. The announced support price shall be for a period of 3 or 6 months and shall be "at not less than 90 percent of parity" and shall include all milk regardless of its ultimate use.

The Secretary of Agriculture is directed to make this announcement within 60 days after the effective date of the act.

D. C. HOME RULE

Committee on the District of Columbia: Subcommittee on Home Rule and Reorganization continued hearings on Federal agencies operating in the District of Columbia, and heard David Lynn, Architect of the Capitol; Preston Delano, Comptroller of Currency; Gen. U. S. Grant, NCPPC; and B. T. Simms, Bureau of Animal Industry.

Subcommittee on Public Service, Streets, and Traffic met with Commissioner John Russell Young and Maj. Robert J. Barrett, Chief of Police, on H. R. 3978, temporary promotion of police lieutenants under certain conditions; and H. R. 2471, reimbursement of D. C. for Park Police uniforms, etc.

MINIMUM WAGE

Committee on Education and Labor: Subcommittee on Wages and Hours of Labor continued hearings on H. R. 3886, increasing minimum wage rate, and heard Emerson P. Schmidt, director, economic research department, United States Chamber of Commerce; William T. Jobe, general counsel, National Association of Ice Industries; and Tyre Taylor, general counsel, Southern States Industrial Council, all of whom testified in opposition to the bill. Hearings will be continued.

NATIONAL SECURITY ACT OF 1947

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Subcommittee to mark up H. R. 2319, National Security Act of 1947, met in executive session. Meeting will be continued.

INTER-AMERICAN MILITARY COOPERATION

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Met in executive session on H. R. 3836, Inter-American Military Cooperation Act. Meeting will be continued.

Subcommittee on International Organizations and Law met and considered H. R. 4010, International Organizations Purchases Act.

PRINTING AUTHORIZATIONS—150TH D. C. ANNIVERSARY

Committee on House Administration: Met in executive session and ordered favorably reported to the House the following: H. Con. Res. 45, providing for printing 4,000 additional copies of hearings on Hartley labor bill; H. Res. 264, authorizing printing as a House Document "Amendments to Rules of Civil Procedure for the District Courts of the United States" and "Report of Proposed Amendments to Rules of Civil Procedure for the District Courts of the United States"; and S. J. Res. 129, commemorating 150th anniversary of establishment of Federal Government in the District of Columbia.

PETROLEUM

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Met in executive session and considered H. R. 3924, amending Public Health Service Act, which was held over for later session. Further consideration of Bulwinkle bill, H. R. 221 and S. 110, was held over until July 11.

Continued hearings on petroleum situation and heard Eugene Holman, president, Standard Oil Co. of New Jersey; Walter Hallaman, chairman, National Petroleum Council, Pittsburgh, Pa.; and B. A. Hardy, president, Independent Petroleum Association of America, Shreveport, La.

ADMINISTRATIVE PRACTICE—DISPLACED PERSONS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 2 began hearings on H. R. 2657, to protect the public with respect to practitioners before administrative agencies, and heard Hon. John D. Randall, Cedar Rapids, Iowa, chairman of committee on unauthorized practice of the American Bar Association and also chairman of the Iowa State Bar's committee on unauthorized practice, who testified in support of the bill.

Subcommittee on Immigration and Naturalization continued hearings on H. R. 2910, to provide for the admission into the United States of certain displaced persons in Germany, Austria, and Italy, and heard Hon. Philip Hannah, Assistant Secretary of Labor; Monsignor John O'Grady, War Relief Services, National Catholic Welfare Conference; and Edward McCaffery, Catholic War Veterans.

Full committee met in executive session and considered H. R. 3980, railroad reorganization.

Subcommittee on Claims considered 17 private claims measures; 15 were ordered favorably and 2 ordered adversely reported to the full committee.

WILDLIFE—OCEAN STATIONS—OIL

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Subcommittee on Conservation of Wildlife Resources held hearings on H. R. 4018, transfer of certain real property for wildlife; H. R. 2472, authorizing use of an unexpended and unobligated wildlife restoration fund for cooperation with State officials; and S. 616, game refuge in Francis Marion National Forest, S. C., and heard Carl D. Shoemaker, National Wildlife Federation; Donald J. Chaney, Fish and Wildlife Service; Clarke Venable, Amateur Field Trial Clubs of America; I. T. Bode, International Association Fish and Game Conservation Commission; Frederic C. Wolcott, American Wildlife Institute; and C. R. Gutermuth, Wildlife Management Institute.

Subcommittee on Coast Guard, Coast and Geodetic Survey, and Public Health Service held hearings on H. R. 3132, to authorize the Coast Guard to operate and maintain ocean stations, and heard Dr. Francis W. Reichelderfer, Chief of Weather Bureau; Admiral Emory S. Land, Air Transport Association; Capt. R. C. Clausen, Capt. Brandt Phillips, and Capt. Ray, Airline Pilots Association; Admiral Joseph F. Farley, Commandant, and Capt. A. C. Richmond, Coast Guard.

Full committee met in open hearings to discuss the oil situation and heard Capt. Henry Sweet, Bureau of Customs; Col. J. W. Johnson, Office of Defense Transportation; and Hon. William C. Foster, Under Secretary of Commerce. Hearing on oil situation will be continued.

PUBLIC LANDS ACTIONS

Committee on Public Lands: Met and ordered favorably reported to the House the following 27 bills:

H. R. 185, sale of lands in Alaska to the Catholic Bishop.

H. R. 1049, repeal of Indian liquor laws in certain parts of Minnesota.

H. R. 1109, National cemetery in every State and Territory.

H. R. 1710, authorize survey of Mississippi River Parkway.

H. R. 2096, acquisition of lands, Mammoth Cave National Park, Ky.

H. R. 2453, authorizes (a) \$750,000 for erection and equipment, and (b) \$250,000 annually for maintenance and operation of a lignite research laboratory.

H. R. 2502, general welfare of Klamath Indians, Oregon.

H. R. 2645, appointment of United States Commissioners in National Parks.

H. R. 2793, Construction of tuberculosis sanatorium, Indians, Galen, Mont.

H. R. 2867 permit mining in Harney National Forest.

H. R. 2873, amend provisions of Reclamation Project Act of 1939.

H. R. 3218, emergency fund for the Bureau of Reclamation operation.

H. R. 3325, Osage Indians, servicemen obtain loans under Readjustment Act.

H. R. 3326, granting certificates of competency to Osage Indians.

H. R. 3371, transfer of jurisdiction from Interior to Navy of Acadia National Park.

H. R. 3416, provide for establishment of the Pensacola National Monument, Fla.

H. R. 3503, permit issuance of unrestricted deeds, town sites, Alaska.

H. R. 3684, addition of certain lands to Silver Creek recreational project, Oregon.

H. R. 3696, patent in fee to Daniel Broken Leg.

H. R. 3703, transfer surplus real property to National Park Service.

H. R. 3971, increase size of isolated or disconnected tracts that can be sold.

H. R. 4059, provide for settlement of parts of Alaska by war veterans.

H. R. 4079, amend Taylor Grazing Act of June 28, 1934.

S. 403, patent in fee to Gideon Peon.

S. 484, patent in fee to Joseph J. Pickett.

S. 753, defer collection construction charges, Flathead Indian project.

S. 1185, provide for disposal certain materials on public lands.

HYDROELECTRIC

Committee on Public Works: Met in executive session and discussed various amendments to H. R. 3036, transfer from Interior to War Department of jurisdiction over certain hydroelectric power projects.

NATURAL GAS—SCHOOL ENROLLMENTS

Committee on Rules: Heard Representative Rizley, who favored a rule providing consideration of H. R. 4051, a bill to amend the Natural Gas Act approved June 21, 1938, as amended. A resolution providing for 1 hour of debate was ordered reported.

Heard Chairman Rees, and Representatives Stevenson, Miller, and Corbett, of the Committee on Post Office and Civil Service, who favored a rule providing consideration of H. R. 3872, a bill to amend the Civil Service Retirement Act of May 29, 1930, as amended. Hearings will be continued.

Heard Representatives Bates of Massachusetts and Anderson of California, of the Committee on Armed Services, who favored a rule providing consideration of H. R. 1341, a bill to authorize the Secretary of the Navy

to construct a postgraduate school at Monterey, Calif. Hearings will be continued.

In executive session considered a rule providing consideration of H. R. 3682, a bill to extend the period for providing assistance for certain war-incurred school enrollments. A resolution providing 1 hour debate was ordered reported.

VETERANS' RENTAL HOMES

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Held hearings on H. R. 3565, to provide low- and medium-cost rental homes for veterans, and heard Gen. Omar N. Bradley, Administrator of Veterans' Affairs, on the position of the Veterans' Administration on the bill; Representative Donohue, sponsor of the bill; Raymond M. Foley, Administrator, National Housing Agency, explaining the effects of the bill; Raymond P. Harold, Worcester, Mass., who testified in favor of the bill; Robert R. Polson, legislative representative, American Legion; William E. Tate, National Director for Claims, DAV; John C. Williamson, VFW; Robert McLaughlin, AMVETS; William M. Floyd, National Commander, Regular Veterans' Association; and Jack Widick, a veteran from Detroit, Mich.

TAX REVISION

Committee on Ways and Means: Continued hearings on general tax revision, and heard Paul T. Norton, Jr., Blacksburg, Va., representing National Association, State Chambers of Commerce, testify on depreciation; Herbert U. Nelson, executive vice president, National Association of Real Estate Boards, Washington, D. C.; Arthur W. Binns, president, Property Owners Foundation, Washington, D. C.; John M. Dickerman, legislative director, National Association of Home Builders, Washington, D. C.; all of whom testified on depreciation on homes; Elden McFarland, attorney, Washington, D. C.; Kingsley Taft, National Association of Dairies, Cleveland, Ohio; Leslie M. Rapp, representing Paramount Pictures, Inc., New York, N. Y., and Representative Miller, all of whom testified on capital gains tax. Hearings will be continued.

REPORT ON JOINT COMMITTEE MEETINGS**ECONOMIC CONDITIONS**

Joint Committee on the Economic Report: Dr. Emerson Schmidt, United States Chamber of Commerce, and Clarence Francis, General Foods Corp., testified. Dr. Schmidt presented the chamber's "program for sustaining employment" and emphasized the "enormous difficulty of achieving economic stability, unless we can achieve international peace and bring about a genuine peaceful state of mind throughout the world." Mr. Francis reviewed the general economic outlook, probable trend of food prices, and economic stability, and continued prosperity. Hearings to be continued.

Conferees on H. R. 3123, Interior Department appropriation bill, held first meeting, but failed to reach agreement.

Conferees on H. R. 3493, Navy Department appropriation bill, held third meeting, but failed to reach agreement.

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(*New Laws*)

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H. R. 3311, State, Justice, Commerce appropriations bill. Signed July 9, 1947 (P. L. 166).

Thursday, July 10, 1947

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed legislative appropriations and debated tax reductions and War Department funds.

House passed Presidential succession bill by a vote of 365 to 11, and continued debate on sugar bill.

RFC and FCC nominations and bills on meat subsidies, rail, and air approved by Senate groups.

Modified retirement bill ordered reported to House.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 8567-8574.

Bills Introduced: Fifteen bills and four resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1594-1608; S. J. Res. 146, 147; and S. Res. 145, 146. Pages 8569, 8573

Bills Reported: Bills and resolutions were reported as follows:

S. 1433, creating a Temporary National Air Policy Board (S. Rept. 469);

S. J. Res. 46, Rio Grande border fence project (S. Rept. 470);

S. J. Res. 143, authorizing the President to approve trusteeship agreements for Pacific Islands (S. Rept. 471); and

H. R. 2298, railroad reorganization (S. Rept. 472). Pages 8569, 8616-8617

Bill Referred: The following House-passed bill was referred to the committee indicated: H. R. 4106 (Committee on Appropriations). (For passage in House, see Digest, p. D357.) Page 8573

Income Tax: Senate debated H. R. 3950, to reduce individual income-tax payments, effective January 1, 1948. Pages 8574-8580, 8581-8596, 8616

Concealed Weapons: Senate agreed to conference on H. R. 493, to regulate the sale and possession of concealed weapons in D. C., and appointed Senators Kem, Cooper, and Holland as conferees. Page 8574

Legislative Appropriation: H. R. 3993, legislative appropriation bill, was passed by voice vote; it carries a

total of \$55,596,943. A conference was asked of the House and the following conferees appointed: Senators Young, Bridges, Saltonstall, Dworshak, Overton, Tydings, and Green.

An amendment by Senator Wiley, to provide \$35,000 for preparation of annotated copies of the Constitution, was adopted, as was an amendment by Senator Bridges, increasing to \$90,000 funds available for personal service under the Library of Congress (books for adult blind), after committee amendments had been adopted. Pages 8602-8604

War Dept. Appropriation: All committee amendments, except those relating to civilian personnel ceilings, were adopted to H. R. 3678, War Dept. appropriation bill. An amendment by Senator Lodge to increase the funds for the Air Corps by \$462,270,000 was defeated by division vote. Pages 8604-8616

Nominations: The following nominations were received: Roy W. Harper, to be judge for the eastern and western districts of Missouri; and Ernest A. Gross, to be legal adviser of the Dept. of State. Page 8618

Reports on Committee Meetings

AGRICULTURE APPROPRIATION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on H. R. 3601, Agriculture Department appropriations bill, concluded "marking up" bill.

WAR DEPARTMENT, CIVIL

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee continued hearings on H. R. 4002, War Department civil

functions appropriation bill, with testimony from Representative Curtis, and Senator Jenner; Governors Blue of Iowa, Ford of Montana, Peterson of Nebraska, Carlson of Kansas, and a representative for the Governor of Missouri; together with other witnesses on flood control.

MEAT SUBSIDIES AND RFC NOMINATION

Committee on Banking and Currency: In executive session, committee approved, with amendment, S. 1429, to enable RFC to grant subsidy payments for period from April 1, 1944, to July 23, 1945, to certain slaughterers not eligible therefor prior to July 23, under Live-stock Slaughter Payments Regulations No. 3 of Defense Supplies Corporation, but who later became eligible due to certain amendments.

The nomination of Harley Hise, to be a member of RFC Board of Directors, was reported favorably. Full committee meets again tomorrow (July 11).

POST OFFICE APPOINTMENTS

Committee on Civil Service: Subcommittee agreed to report adversely to the full committee, at its meeting tomorrow (July 11), S. 496, relative to appointments of World War II veterans to field service positions in P. O. Department.

GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS

Committee on Civil Service: Subcommittee met in executive session on S. 1537, to increase rate of compensation for the members of the Cabinet and assistants, and heads of executive departments and agencies. Study continues week of July 14.

D. C. UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION

Committee on the District of Columbia: Subcommittee on H. R. 3864, to amend D. C. Unemployment Compensation Act, heard C. A. Wharton, director, D. C. Unem-

ployment Compensation Board; Tom Urdahl, and Mrs. Ann D. Goodbee. Hearings to be continued.

FCC NOMINATION, RAIL AND AIR BILLS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Unanimously approved the nomination of Robert F. Jones, to be FCC Commissioner; reported S. 1433, creating a National Temporary Air Policy Board; and approved H. R. 2298, railroad reorganization bill.

HEALTH LEGISLATION

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Continuing hearings on S. 545, to create an independent national health agency, and S. 1320, National Health Insurance and Public Health Act of 1947, subcommittee heard testimony in support of S. 1320 by the following witnesses: Nelson Cruickshank, AFL; James B. Carey, CIO; and Horace Hanson, Group Health Mutual, St. Paul. Hearings to be continued.

INDIANS

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee met on various Indian bills and will report decisions to full committee at its next meeting on July 14.

SMALL BUSINESS—STEEL

Special Committee to Study Problems of American Small Business: Continuing hearings on steel supplies, subcommittee received testimony by Carl Anderson, Leighton Supply Co., Fort Dodge, Iowa; B. E. Dickey, George A. Clark & Son, Minneapolis; George E. Clifford, Spang-Chalfant Division of National Supply Co., Pittsburgh; and W. F. McConnor, National Tube Co., Pittsburgh, discussing situation of steel pipe for water wells and watering systems, particularly in the Mid-western States, where there is a shortage. Hearings to be continued.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Seventeen public bills, H. R. 4136-4152; two private bills, H. R. 4153-4154; and five resolutions, H. J. Res. 234-236, H. Con. Res. 69, and H. Res. 280, were introduced. Pages 8635, 8654-8655

Bills Reported: Bills and resolutions were reported as follows:

Thirty-four private bills, from the Committee on the Judiciary: S. 179 and 880, H. R. 388, 640, 769, 890, 1085, 1175, 1226, 1316, 1319, 1648, 1654, 1730, 1744, 1864, 1933, 1953, 2012, 2129, 2192, 2213, 2348, 2432, 2506, 2534, 2633, 2783, 3068, 3111, 3383, 3495, 3499, 3845 (H. Repts. 818 to 851, inclusive);

H. Res. 211, authorizing Committee on Public Works to conduct surveys of certain works of improvement (H. Rept. 852);

H. Res. 280, rule waiving points of order against and granting 1 hour's general debate on H. R. 1113, providing for removal of restrictions on property of Indians who served in the armed forces (H. Rept. 853);

Conference report on H. R. 3647, Second Decontrol Act of 1947 (H. Rept. 854);

Seventeen bills from the Committee on Public Lands (for details, see Digest, pp. D358-D359): H. R. 3971, 3703, 3684, 3503, 3416, 3218, 2645, 2453, 2096, 1710, 1049, S. 1185, S. 753, H. R. 3064, S. 484, S. 403, H. R. 185 (H. Repts. 855 to 872, excepting H. Rept. 864);

H. R. 4102, National Science Foundation Act (H. Rept. 864); and

H. J. Res. 205, authorizing the Secretary of Agriculture to sell timber within the Tongass National Forest (H. Rept. 873).

Pages 8635, 8653-8654

Presidential Succession: Passed, by a vote of 365 yeas to 11 nays, S. 564, the Presidential succession bill. This measure provides that whenever there are simultaneous vacancies in the offices of President and Vice President, the Speaker of the House, if qualified, shall become President for the unexpired term. Should the Speaker die or be removed as President, his successor as Speaker would succeed him. Should the Speaker be unable to qualify, or if there be no Speaker at the time, the President pro tempore of the Senate would become President.

Pages 8620-8635

Bill Referred: The following Senate-passed bill was referred to the committee indicated: S. 758, creating a National Security Establishment (Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments). (For passage in Senate, see Digest, p. D354-D355.)

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Sugar Bill: Continued, but did not complete; consideration of H. R. 4075, a bill designed to stabilize sugar producing, refining, and importing industries.

Pages 8635-8652

Reports on Committee Meetings

PROCESSED FOOD FOR FOREIGN RELIEF

Committee on Agriculture: Food Shortage Subcommittee held hearings on surpluses of processed foods, to determine possibility of Government acquiring processed foods for distribution in foreign relief zones in occupied areas, and heard Representatives Miller of Maryland, Larcade, Sasscer, Meade, and Fallon; Senators O'Connor, Pepper, Tydings, and Holland; Robert W. Mairs, a canner from Maryland; William Heckendorn, canner; R. H. Rowe, vice president U. S. Wholesale Grocers Association; Wm. N. D. Miller, secretary, Cooperative Food Distributors of America; Calvin L. Skinner, secretary, Tri-State Packers Association of Eastern Maryland; J. Felix Dezauche, Opelousas, La.; T. B. Symons, dean and director, Extension Service, University of Maryland; and Robert C. Evans, manager, Florida Citrus Commission.

UNIVERSAL MILITARY TRAINING

Committee on Armed Services: Full committee continued public hearings on universal military training, and heard Aaron Opher, Synagogue Council of America; Elizabeth Smart, WCTU; Kermit Eby, Michigan CIO Council; and Dr. Blake Van Leer, president, Georgia Tech University. Hearings will be continued.

Posts and Stations Subcommittee held hearings on H. R. 2359, water filtration plant at West Point; and H. R. 4076, Army public works bill. Hearing to be continued.

HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: Held hearings on S. 1361, to amend United States Housing Act so as to permit loans, capital grants, or annual contributions for low-rent-housing and slum-clearance projects where construction costs exceed present cost limitations upon condition that local housing agencies pay the difference between cost limitations and the actual construction costs, and heard Senator McCarthy; Representatives Brophy and Kersten; and John Decker, assistant attorney for the city of Milwaukee, all of whom testified in favor of the bill.

D. C. ACTIONS—HOME RULE

Committee on the District of Columbia: Judiciary Subcommittee met to consider pending bills and ordered favorably reported to the full committee the following: H. R. 3045, placing the Office of Recorder of Deeds for the District under the Commissioners of the District of Columbia; H. R. 2984, forbidding erection of radio or television, etc., broadcasting structures in certain areas and regulating their height in other areas of the District; H. R. 3852, retirement of public-school teachers in the District; S. 1462, authorizing the official shorthand reporters of the municipal court for the District of Columbia to collect fees for transcripts; and S. 1402, to authorize the parishes and congregations of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the District of Columbia to establish bylaws governing the election of their vestrymen.

Subcommittee on Home Rule and Reorganization continued hearings on home rule for the District of Columbia, and heard Dr. Alexander Wetmore, secretary, Smithsonian Institution, who discussed whether or not, in his opinion, the zoo should be transferred to District auspices; John Ihlder, executive officer, National Capital Housing Authority, who testified on whether or not Housing Authority should be a District or Federal agency; and James J. Maloney, acting director, United States Secret Service, who discussed the method of selection, civil-service status, and retirement provisions for the White House police.

MINIMUM WAGE

Committee on Education and Labor: Subcommittee on Wages and Hours of Labor continued hearings on H. R. 3886, increasing minimum wage rate, and heard Representatives Pace, Cooley, Poage, and Abernethy, all of whom stated that they would be in favor of the bill, provided the subcommittee would include an amend-

ment that would make possible the inclusion of the wage item in agriculture parity clause. Hearings will be continued.

NATIONAL SECURITY ACT OF 1947

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Subcommittee to mark up H. R. 2319, National Security Act of 1947, met in executive session. Meeting will continue on July 12.

INTER-AMERICAN MILITARY COOPERATION

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Met in executive session on H. R. 3836, Inter-American Military Cooperation bill. Meeting will be continued.

Subcommittee on State Department Organization and Personnel met in executive session on Institute of Inter-American Affairs.

ANTI-POLL TAX

Committee on House Administration: Subcommittee on Elections continued hearings on various anti-poll-tax bills, and heard John Edelman, representing Textile Workers Union, and Edgar G. Brown. Hearings will be continued.

FEDERAL POWER

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Continued public hearings on H. R. 2972 and H. R. 2973, to amend the Federal Power Act, and heard William Gatchell, Chief, Hydroelectric Project Division, Bureau of Law; T. R. de Luccia, Chief, Bureau of Power; Hon. Leland Olds, Commissioner, and Howard Wahrenbrock, Assistant General Counsel, all from the Federal Power Commission, all of whom testified in opposition to the bills.

IMMIGRATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Immigration and Naturalization held hearings on H. R. 3899, to amend the Immigration Act, and heard Representative Smathers; E. E. Salisbury, and Edward J. Shaughnessy, of the Immigration and Naturalization Service; and Harold B. Wahl, attorney, Jacksonville, Fla., all of whom testified in favor of the bill. Statements in support of the legislation were filed by Representatives Peterson, Rogers of Florida, and Price, and by the Trans-Atlantic Passenger Conference and the National Federation of American Shipping, Inc. Subcommittee ordered the bill, with amendment, favorably reported to the full committee.

Full committee met in executive session and ordered adversely reported to the House H. Res. 254 and H. Res. 255, directing the Secretary of State and the Attorney General to transmit certain documents, records, and memoranda relating to one Serge Rubinstein. Also,

35 private claims bills were ordered favorably reported to the House; and five private claims bills were tabled.

OIL EXPORTS

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Held hearings on the question of oil exports, and heard B. C. Graves, president, Union Tank Car Co.; Walter J. Curley, vice president, General American Transportation Corp.; John B. Davenport, vice president, Shipper Car Line Corp.; Malcom S. Langford, attorney, Pan-American Petroleum & Transportation Co.; E. J. Schiffer, general traffic manager, Gulf Oil Corp.; Brig. Gen. Paul F. Yount, Acting Chief of Transportation, War Department; A. J. Welliner, assistant manager, Sun Oil Co.; and Jas. E. Keller, counsel, National Petroleum Association.

WAR AND NAVY DEPARTMENTS—COTTON-SEED—RETIREMENT

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Heard testimony from Army and Navy officials in support of H. R. 4084, to authorize the creation of additional positions in the professional and scientific service in the War and Navy Departments. The bill was ordered favorably reported. H. R. 4109, authorizing the Director of the Census to collect and publish statistics of cottonseed and cottonseed products, was ordered favorably reported with clarifying amendments. H. R. 4127, to amend the Civil Service Retirement Act of 1930 was ordered favorably reported. H. R. 739, to provide for the protection of veterans and career-service employees in connection with reductions in force in the Federal service, was ordered favorably reported, with amendments.

RECLAMATION—COAL LANDS

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation held hearings on H. R. 3538, to investigate and report on projects for reclamation by drainage; and S. 483, to relocate boundaries of Gila reclamation project, and heard Representative Redden, who offered amendments to H. R. 3538; Charles F. Brannan, Assistant Secretary of Agriculture, who testified in favor of the bill; Arvin B. Shaw, Jr., assistant attorney general of California, who testified in opposition to S. 483; and Donald M. Keith, deputy general counsel, the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California, who also testified against S. 483. Hearings will be continued.

Subcommittee ordered H. R. 3538 favorably reported to the full committee.

Subcommittee on Mines and Mining held hearings on H. R. 2186, increasing the amount of coal lands leasable in one tract, or in one State, to one lessee, and heard

Representative Schwabe of Oklahoma, who testified in favor of the bill; Jacob Wasserman, Chief Counsel, Bureau of Land Management, Department of Interior; Robert L. Wright, Special Assistant to Attorney General, Department of Justice; H. I. Smith, Chief, Mining Division, Department of Interior; and Chad F. Calhoun, vice president, Kaiser Corporation, Washington, D. C., who testified in opposition to the bill.

GAO BUILDING

Committee on Public Works: Subcommittee on Public Buildings and Grounds met in executive session and ordered favorably reported to the full committee H. R. 4068, authorizing a building for the General Accounting Office.

INDIANS—POST-GRADUATE SCHOOL

Committee on Rules: Heard Representatives D'Ewart and Peden, of the Committee on Public Lands, who favored a rule providing consideration of H. R. 1113, a bill to provide for removal of restrictions on property of Indians who serve in the armed forces. A resolution waiving points of order and providing 1 hour of debate was ordered reported.

Heard Representative Burke, of the Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries, who favored a rule providing consideration of H. R. 3043, a bill to provide for the transfer of certain lands to the Secretary of the Interior, and for other purposes. Hearings will be continued.

Heard Representative Anderson of California, of the Committee on Armed Services, who favored a rule providing consideration of H. R. 1341, a bill to authorize the Secretary of the Navy to construct a post-graduate school at Monterey, Calif. Hearings on the bill will be continued.

Heard Chairman Dondero, of the Public Works Committee, who favored H. Res. 211, which would authorize and direct the Committee on Public Works to conduct surveys of certain works of improvement. The resolution was ordered reported favorably.

PENSIONS

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Subcommittee on Compensation and Pensions held hearings on various bills to increase pensions for widows and orphans of veterans, and heard Harry V. Hayden and Charles Stevens, American Legion; Omar B. Ketchum, VFW; William E. Tate, DAV; Robert McLaughlin, AMVETS; and W. M. Floyd, Regular Veterans Association, who gave views of their organizations on the measures under consideration. Representative Whitten, sponsor of H. R. 1720, explained his measure.

TAX REVISION

Committee on Ways and Means: Continued hearings on general tax revision and heard Arthur Elder, consultant, committee on taxation, American Federation of Labor, Washington, D. C.; Stanley H. Ruttenberg, assistant director of research, CIO, Washington, D. C.; Edmund L. Grimes, Committee on Federal Taxation, Controllers Institute of America, New York, N. Y.; Clarence L. Turner, CPA, Philadelphia, Pa.; and Frank L. Andrews, president, Hotel New Yorker, representing the American Hotel Association. Hearings will be continued.

REPORT ON JOINT COMMITTEE MEETINGS

INTERIOR APPROPRIATION

Conferees on H. R. 3123, Interior Department appropriation bill, held second meeting, but failed to reach agreement.

NAVY APPROPRIATION

Conferees on H. R. 3493, Navy Department appropriation bill, held fourth meeting, but failed to reach agreement.

SECOND WAR POWERS AND EXPORT CONTROL

Conferees on H. R. 3647, extension of the Second War Powers and Export Control Acts, in final session agreed to file conference report, providing for extension of controls until March 1, 1948, with rice included under controls and cordage exempt (H. Rept. 854).

ECONOMIC CONDITIONS

Joint Committee on the Economic Report: Theodore W. Schultz, National Planning Assn., and B. C. Forbes, Forbes Magazine, testified before the committee on "short- and long-run agricultural pricing problems" and "need for economic education," respectively. Hearings will be continued week of July 14.

ATOMIC ENERGY

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Admiral Hillenkoetter, director of the Central Intelligence Group, met in executive session with committee. Committee meets again tomorrow (July 11).

BILLS SIGNED BY THE PRESIDENT

(New Laws)

(For last listing of Public Laws, see p. D360)

H. R. 3333, authorizing transfer of the ship *Joseph Conrad* to the Marine Historical Association. Signed July 9, 1947 (P. L. 167).

Friday, July 11, 1947

HIGHLIGHTS

Second war powers extension cleared for President.

Senate debated tax bill.

House passed sugar bill and measure amending the Natural Gas Act.

Senate groups approved measures on independent offices and Agriculture appropriations, consumer credit, Federal loans, together with various other bills.

Bills on carrier agreements and Pacific islands trusteeship ordered reported to House.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 8655-8659.

Bills Introduced: Eight bills and three resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1609-S. 1616; S. J. Res. 148; S. Con Res. 25; and S. Res. 147. *Pages 8656, 8657*

Bills Reported: Bills and resolutions were reported as follows:

Minority views on S. 249, part 2 (S. Rept. 432);

S. J. Res. 148, continuation of Consumer Credit Regulation W (S. Rept. 473);

H. R. 3601, Agriculture Dept. appropriations (S. Rept. 474);

H. R. 3839, independent offices appropriations (S. Rept. 475);

S. 1014, disposition of Internal Revenue collections on articles produced in Virgin Islands (S. Rept. 476);

H. R. 3818, amending Federal Insurance Contributions Act, freezing pay-roll taxes (S. Rept. 477);

H. R. 3961, providing pension increases for Spanish-American and Civil War veterans and dependents (S. Rept. 478);

H. R. 4011, amending Federal unemployment tax, permitting voluntary contributions to be used in computation of reduced rates, if paid within a certain time (S. Rept. 479);

S. 416, to extend veterans' preference benefits to widowed mothers (S. Rept. 480);

S. 1497, to provide periodical censuses of oils and fats (S. Rept. 481);

S. Res. 141, to authorize an investigation of social-security program (no written rept., and referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration);

H. R. 84, to amend the Nationality Act of 1940 (S. Rept. 489);

H. R. 3149, relating to the admission into the United States of alien spouses and alien minor children of citizen members of United States armed forces (S. Rept. 501);

H. R. 3958, to extend time for filing applications for patents and taking action in Patent Office with respect thereto (S. Rept. 502);

Eighteen private claims bills (S. 185, 316, 457, 84, 167, 191, 1579, H. R. 379, 436, 553, 649, 555, 710, 1015, 1176, 1393, 1493, and 1502 (S. Repts. 482-488, and 490-500 respectively);

S. Res. 137, to provide for complete investigation of our immigration system (S. Rept. 503); referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration;

S. 1487, to remove restrictions on Federal agencies' loans for construction of certain public works (S. Rept. 504). *Page 8656*

Civil Aviation: A protocol relating to the Convention on International Civil Aviation was received and referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations. *Pages 8689-8690*

Tax Bill: Senate continued debate on H. R. 3950, to reduce individual income-tax payments, effective January 1, 1948. *Pages 8659-8664, 8670-8689*

Emergency Powers: Conference report was adopted on H. R. 3647, extension of the Second War Powers and Export Control Acts, thus clearing bill for President. (For details, see Digest p. D364.) *Pages 8667-8669*

Nominations: The following nominations were received: Herbert W. Christenberry, to be judge for the eastern district of Louisiana; and Brig. Gen. William W. Bessell, Jr., to be professor of mathematics at Military Academy. *Page 8705*

Confirmations: The following nominations were confirmed: James Bruce, to be Ambassador to Argentina; Robert F. Jones, to be FCC Commissioner; Harley Hise, to be an RFC director; Frank B. Potter and Henry W. Moursund, to be United States attorneys for the northern and western districts of Texas; Maj. Gen. Kenneth F. Cramer, to be Chief of the National Guard Bureau; together with 22 appointments in the Diplomatic and Foreign Service; 102 postmasters; 62 in the Navy and 2 in the Marine Corps.

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Reports on Committee Meetings

AGRICULTURE APPROPRIATION

Committee on Appropriations: H. R. 3601, Agriculture Department appropriations bill, was reported, carrying a total of \$664,836,426, an increase of \$92,664,160 over the House-approved figure of \$572,172,266. It is under the 1948 estimates by \$140,305,182 and exceeds the 1947 appropriations by \$21,682,015.

INDEPENDENT OFFICES

Committee on Appropriations: H. R. 3839, independent offices appropriation bill, was reported carrying a total of \$8,294,006,027, which is an increase of \$126,137,000 over the House figure of \$8,167,869,027. It is under the estimates for 1948 by \$206,491,732 and under the 1947 appropriations by \$1,348,520,123.

GOVERNMENT CORPORATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on H. R. 3756, Government corporations appropriation, continued to "mark up" bill.

WAR DEPARTMENT, CIVIL

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on H. R. 4002, War Department civil functions appropriation bill, continued hearings with testimony from various witnesses on flood-control projects.

NAVAL ORGANIZATION

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee agreed to report to the full committee S. 1252, relating to naval reorganization affecting status of the Chief of Naval Operations and Chief of Material Division, after hearing officials of Navy Department.

CONSUMER CREDIT, FEDERAL LOANS, AND COMMEMORATIVE COINS

Committee on Banking and Currency: In executive session, committee approved following bills: S. J. Res. 148, to provide for continuation of Consumer Credit Regulation W for 6 months, amended to reduce down payment to 20 percent and with a 20-month time limit; S. 1487, to remove restrictions on Federal agencies' loans for construction of certain public works; H. R. 1180, 50-cent coins in commemoration of Wisconsin's 100th

anniversary in Union; S. 421, 50-cent coins in commemoration of 100th anniversary of Utah pioneers in Salt Lake Valley; and S. 318, 50-cent coins in commemoration of Patrick Henry.

POSTMASTERS AND CIVIL SERVICE BILLS

Committee on Civil Service: Ninety-seven postmaster nominations (from Ind., Kans., Mich., N. J., Va., W. Va., and Wis.) were approved, and 16 others were reserved for further study.

Committee approved following bills: S. 416, to provide veterans' preference to widowed mothers of servicemen or servicewomen killed in line of duty, with amendment; H. R. 2857, extending 2d-class mailing privileges to State conservation and wildlife departments and commissions; and S. 1497, to provide periodical censuses of oils and fats, with minor amendments.

Following three bills were considered and postponed: S. 496, to grant civil-service eligibility to certain persons in postal field service; S. 909, granting 4th-class post-office clerical assistance for certain purposes; and S. 910, to grant allowances to 4th-class postmasters for rent, fuel, light, and equipment.

Further study was ordered on following bills: H. R. 966, to amend the Veterans' Preference Act of 1944, and H. R. 2703, to grant education leave for veterans.

GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES

Committee on Civil Service: Subcommittee agreed to report to the full committee, without amendment, S. 1188, establishing retention preference regulations to employees permanently injured in line of duty, in making reductions in Government forces. S. 1311, competitive civil-service status and reemployment rights for temporary or war-service employees of the Government who sustained permanent disability, was considered but action postponed.

D. C. POLICE INVESTIGATION

Committee on the District of Columbia: Subcommittee on S. Res. 144, D. C. police investigation, was announced: Senators McGrath, *chairman*; Ball; Flanders; Cooper; Sparkman; and Holland. Preliminary meeting is scheduled for July 14.

D. C. UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION

Committee on the District of Columbia: Subcommittee on H. R. 3864, to amend D. C. Unemployment Compensation Act, heard C. A. Wharton, director, D. C. Unemployment Compensation Board; Tom Urdahl; Mrs. Ann D. Goodbee; and a representative of the Federal Security Agency.

SECRETARY OF STATE

Committee on Foreign Relations: In executive session, heard Secretary of State Marshall on matters of state.

Senator Vandenberg previously announced that this was the first of a series of meetings with the Secretary, which would be held at regular intervals during the next session.

IMMIGRATION, PATENTS, AND PRIVATE BILLS

Committee on the Judiciary: In executive session, 22 bills were approved, of which 17 were private immigration (S. 185, 1579, 457, 191, 84, 316, 167; H. R. 649, 379, 555, 3149, 1502, 1493, 1176, 84, 436, and 553); three private claims (H. R. 710, 1015, and 1393); and two general bills, as follows:

S. Res. 137, to provide for complete investigation of our immigration system, and H. R. 3958, to extend time for filing applications for patents and taking action in Patent Office with respect thereto.

The nomination of Max M. Bulkeley, to be United States attorney for the district of Colorado, was also approved.

ARMY-NAVY DISBURSING OFFICERS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee heard Army, Navy, and Marine Corps officers and such civilian personnel testify in support of S. 323, to provide relief for Army-Navy disbursing officers.

HEALTH LEGISLATION

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: The following witnesses testified before the subcommittee in support of S. 1320, National Health Insurance and Public Health Act of 1947: Albert J. Lasker, New York philanthropist; and Joseph H. Louchheim and Michael M. Davis, both of Committee for the Nation's Health, New York.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Twenty public bills, H. R. 4155-4174; eight private bills, H. R. 4175-4182; and eight resolutions, H. Res. 281-287 and H. J. Res. 237, were introduced.

Pages 8708, 8752, 8757-8758

Bills Reported: Bills and resolutions were reported as follows:

S. 512, extension of Bankhead-Jones and Soil Conservation Acts to the Virgin Islands (H. Rept. 878);

H. R. 3619, authorizing sale of the Mission Point Lighthouse Reservation, Mich. (H. Rept. 879);

H. R. 2873, amending certain provisions of the Reclamation Project Act of 1939 (H. Rept. 880);

FORESTRY RESOURCES

Committee on Public Lands: National Resources Economic Subcommittee heard Lyle F. Watts, assisted by R. E. Marsh, both of Forest Service, discuss duties of their department in production, distribution, utilization, and conservation of forestry products; Clarence W. Nichols, assisted by experts, all of International Resources Division of the State Dept., relate of Reciprocal Trade Agreements Program and how they go about making agreements dealing with forestry products; and Joseph Muller, Dept. of Commerce, present statistics on exports and imports of forestry products, and of his activity. Subcommittee meets on petroleum next week.

PUBLIC WORKS CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Public Works: Following witnesses testified in support of S. 1423, to enable States and local governments to plan for the construction of public works: Senator Green; FWA Administrator Fleming; S. M. Dodd, Bureau of the Budget; Geo. H. Field, James W. Follin, and Allen Johnstone, all of the FWA; J. Frazer Smith, American Institute of Architecture; and B. F. Knowles, Associated General Contractors of America. Committee meets again July 15.

SMALL BUSINESS—STEEL

Special Committee to Study Problems of American Small Business: The following witnesses appeared before the Subcommittee on Steel to discuss miscellaneous problems of steel distribution: J. A. Draper, Pioneer Thresher Co., Shortsville N. Y.; Wm. J. Richards, Sexton Can Co., Everett, Mass.; Hugh I. Cole, Cole Hot Blast Mfg. Co., Chicago; and Russell Brown, Independent Petroleum Assn., Washington. Hearings continue on Tuesday, July 15.

H. R. 3371, transferring jurisdiction of portions of Acadia National Park, Maine, from Department of Interior to Department of Navy (H. Rept. 881);

H. R. 2793, authorizing appropriation for construction of a State tuberculosis sanatorium at Galen, Mont., for treatment of tubercular Indians (H. Rept. 882);

Two private claims bills, H. R. 1215 and H. R. 3088 (H. Repts. 883 and 884);

Report entitled "Aids to Air Navigation and Landing" from Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce (H. Rept. 885);

H. R. 4127, amending Civil Service Retirement Act of 1930, relative to liberalization of annuities and benefits given Federal employees (H. Rept. 888);

H. R. 4079, amending Taylor Grazing Act, relative to income from grazing fees charged on public lands (H. Rept. 890);

Conference report on H. R. 3493, Navy Department appropriation bill for 1948 (H. Rept. 891); and

S. 924, 1402, and 1462, and H. R. 2471, 2984, 3045, 3852, 3873, 3978, 3998 (H. Repts. 892 to 901.) (For details of these bills, see report by the Committee on the District of Columbia, p. D369.)

The Judiciary Committee reported, considered, and agreed to the following resolutions from the Committee on House Administration:

Anniversary: S. J. Res. 129 (H. Rept. 874), providing for appropriate commemoration of the 150th anniversary of the establishment of the seat of the Federal Government in the District of Columbia.

Wages: H. Res. 281 (H. Rept. 875), providing additional compensation for certain employees of the House of Representatives.

House Employee: H. Res. 282 (H. Rept. 876), authorizing payment of 6 months' salary and \$250 toward the defrayment of funeral expenses to estate of late House employee.

Gratuities: H. Res. 283 (H. Rept. 877), authorizing the Clerk of the House to approve payment of certain gratuities during the recess of Congress.

Pages 8707, 8708, 8752, 8758

Legislative Appropriations: Disagreed to the Senate amendments on H. R. 3993, legislative appropriation bill for 1948, agreed to the conference asked, and Representatives Johnson of Indiana, Tibbott, Canfield, Griffith, Cannon, Kirwan, and Andrews of Alabama were appointed conferees on the part of the House.

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Sugar Bill: Passed, by voice vote, H. R. 4075, the sugar bill of 1948, which proposes to regulate commerce among the several States, with the Territories and possessions of this country, and with foreign countries; protect the welfare of consumers of sugar and those engaged in the domestic sugar-producing industry; and further promote United States export trade. The controls would expire 5 years after January 1, 1948. Besides two minor committee amendments, only one floor amendment was adopted. This would restore section 302 (b) of the act of 1937, relative to the regulation of wage standards for sugar workers, to be fixed by the Secretary of Agriculture, according to differences in conditions among various producing areas.

Before passage, a motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Agriculture, with instructions, was rejected by 47 yeas to 101 nays.

Pages 8713-8727

Minority Employee: Agreed to H. Res. 287, appointing special employee to the minority of the House of Representatives.

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Pacific Islands: Passed H. J. Res. 233 (H. Rept. 889), authorizing the President to approve the trusteeship agreement between the United States and the UN Security Council for the former Japanese-mandated islands, to be known as the Territory of the Pacific Islands.

Pages 8731-8733

Emergency Powers: Adopted the conference report on H. R. 3647, extending Second War Powers and Export Control Acts, clearing bill for Executive action.

Pages 8710-8713

Draft Evasion: Considered, and ordered to lie on the table, H. Res. 254 and 255 (H. Repts. 886 and 887), resolutions directing Secretary of State and the Attorney General, respectively, to transmit to the Committee on the Judiciary certain documents and records relating to Serge Rubinstein.

Pages 8728-8731

Natural Gas Act: Passed, by a voice vote, H. R. 4051, amending the Natural Gas Act of 1938, which, as amended, defines the jurisdiction of the FCC with respect to the transportation and sale of natural gas for resale in interstate commerce, with respect to natural gas companies; and also prescribes certain statutory standards to apply for purposes of rate fixing, for sales of natural gas under the jurisdiction of the Commission.

In addition the bill will impose a duty on natural gas companies to supply reasonable service to distributing companies and gives the ICC jurisdiction of common carriers engaged in transportation of natural gas by pipe line solely for others for hire, and not engaged in the selling of natural gas.

Before passage, a motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce with instructions was rejected by a vote of 64 yeas to 253 nays.

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Reports on Committee Meetings

UNIVERSAL MILITARY TRAINING

Committee on Armed Services: Full committee continued hearings on Universal Military Training and heard Representative Powell; Jesse P. Bogue, secretary, American Association of Junior Colleges; J. M. Dawson, Baptists of United States; and Norman Thomas, Post War World Council. Hearings will continue next Monday.

Posts and Stations Subcommittee met on H. R. 4076, Army public works bill.

Organization and Mobilization Subcommittee met in executive session.

PEANUTS

Committee on Banking and Currency: Held hearings on H. R. 3940, to amend the act approved April 12, 1945, to authorize the Commodity Credit Corporation, as an

agency of the United States, to sell peanuts owned or controlled by it, and heard Representative Dirksen, author of the bill; W. H. Fischer, representing peanut butter manufacturers; C. N. Lavery, representing National Confectioners' Association; W. W. Kelly, representing peanut salters; and Peter B. Atwood, representing Curtiss Candy Co., all of whom testified in favor of the bill.

D. C. ACTIONS—HOME RULE

Committee on the District of Columbia: Met in executive session and ordered favorably reported the following 10 bills: H. R. 2471, to provide for the reimbursement of the District of Columbia for expenditures made for compensation, uniforms, equipment, and other expenses of the United States Park Police force; H. R. 2984, to prohibit the installation of radio and television antennae, masts, etc., in certain areas of the District; H. R. 3045, to place the Office of the Recorder of Deeds under the direction of the District Commissioners; H. R. 3852, to extend the amortization period of the teachers' retirement fund from 20 to 50 years; H. R. 3873, to place all authority, powers, and property vested in the Board of Public Welfare in the D. C. Board of Commissioners, giving visitorial and advisory powers to the Welfare Board; H. R. 3978, to give Metropolitan Police lieutenants, while assigned as supervisors, the rank and basic pay of captain; H. R. 3998, to regulate casualty insurance in the District in compliance with provisions of Public Law 15, 79th Congress; S. 924, to credit active service in military or naval forces of the United States in determining eligibility for amount of benefits from police and firemen's relief fund; S. 1402, authorizing the parishes and congregations of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the District of Columbia to establish bylaws covering the election of their vestrymen; and S. 1462, authorizing the official shorthand reporters of the municipal court for the District of Columbia to collect fees for transcripts.

Subcommittee on Home Rule and Reorganization held hearings on home rule for the District, and heard W. T. Heffelfinger, Stephen J. Spingarn, and W. M. B. Freeman, representing United States Treasury, on question of whether District fiscal matters now controlled by the Treasury could be transferred to District control; W. L. Ellis and J. D. Denit, representing the Comptroller General, on whether fiscal control should be delegated to the District; and J. L. Keddy, former Federal Budget officer for the District, on whether the District should control its fiscal affairs. Hearings will continue July 14.

MINIMUM WAGE

Committee on Education and Labor: Continued hearings on H. R. 3886, increasing minimum wage rate, and heard Ed M. Anderson, chairman, legislative committee, National Editorial Association; and Floyd B.

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Quigg, editor, Wood Industry Weekly, both of whom testified in opposition to the bill. Hearings will continue July 14.

PACIFIC ISLANDS TRUSTEESHIP

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Full committee met and ordered favorably reported to the House H. J. Res. 233, trusteeship agreement for the Pacific islands. Also further considered H. R. 3836, inter-American military cooperation bill.

ANTI-POLL TAX

Committee on House Administration: Subcommittee on Elections continued hearings on various anti-poll-tax bills, and heard John S. Barbour, Fairfax, Va. Hearings will continue July 14.

CARRIER AGREEMENTS—FEDERAL POWER

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Met in executive session and ordered favorably reported, as amended, H. R. 221, agreements between carriers (Bulwinkle bill). The bill frees railroads and other carriers from the antitrust laws respecting certain agreements between common carriers as long as agreements arrived at will further the national transportation policy and are approved by the ICC.

Leonard W. Hall subcommittee continued hearings on H. R. 2972 and H. R. 2973, Federal Power, and heard Howard Wahrenbrock, Assistant General Counsel, Federal Power Commission, who testified in opposition to the bills.

ADMINISTRATIVE PRACTICE—IMMIGRATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 2 heard John D. Dandall, Cedar Rapids, Iowa, on behalf of the committee on unauthorized practice of the American Bar Association in support of H. R. 2657, to protect the public with respect to practitioners before administrative agencies.

Subcommittee on Patents, Trade-Marks, and Copyrights met in executive session and discussed several bills.

Subcommittee on Immigration and Naturalization ordered favorably reported to the full committee three private bills and also H. R. 1878, to amend the immigration laws to deny admission to the United States of persons who may be coming here for the purpose of engaging in activities which will endanger the public safety of the United States.

ALASKA—OCEAN STATIONS—WILDLIFE

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Special subcommittee on Alaskan problems met in open hearings to consider H. R. 1238, to permit vessels of foreign registry to transport certain merchandise between Hyder, Alaska, and points in the United States, and heard Delegate Bartlett; Ira L. Ewers, Alaska Steamship Co. and Northland Transportation Co.; John K. Carlock,

Treasury Department; and G. H. Humbold, Maritime Commission.

Subcommittee on Coast Guard, Coast and Geodetic Survey, and Public Health Service met in executive session to consider H. R. 3132, authorizing Coast Guard to maintain ocean stations.

Subcommittee on Conservation of Wildlife Resources met in executive session and ordered favorably reported to the full committee the following bills: H. R. 2472, authorizing use of an unexpended and unobligated wildlife restoration fund for cooperation with State officials; H. R. 3802, to amend the Migratory Bird Hunting Stamp Act of 1934, as amended; H. R. 4018, transfer of certain real property for wildlife; H. R. 4108, to reduce in area the Parker River National Wildlife Refuge in Essex County, Mass.; and S. 616, game refuge in Francis Marion National Forest, S. C.

Full committee met in executive session and ordered favorably reported to the House H. R. 4108, to reduce in area the Parker River National Wildlife Refuge in Essex County, Mass.

FT. SUMNER IRRIGATION, NEW MEXICO

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation held hearings on H. R. 3834, Fort Sumner irrigation project, New Mexico, and H. R. 2180, to extend Reclamation Act to territories, and heard J. G. Will, Assistant Chief Counsel, Bureau of Reclamation, who favored enactment of the bills. Subcommittee ordered H. R. 3834 favorably reported to the full committee.

FLOOD CONTROL

Committee on Public Works: Subcommittee on Flood Control met and ordered favorably reported to the full committee H. R. 4111, authorizing construction of flood-control works on the Little Sioux River, Iowa. Resolutions for review of survey reports by the Board of Engineers for Rivers and Harbors were approved for submission to the full committee as follows: Ohio River at Mill Creek, W. Va.; Chartiers Creek, Pa.; Wear Creek and its tributaries, Mo.; Rector Creek, Ill.; and the North Fork of the Saline River, Ill.; Sun River, Mont.; Kawkawlin River and its tributaries, Mich.; Minnesota River, protection of Mendota Bridge against bank erosion, Minnesota; and Nodaway River, Mo.

PENSIONS

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Subcommittee on Compensation and Pensions held hearings on various bills to increase pensions for widows and orphans of veterans, and heard Representative Hagen, sponsor of H. R. 1335; Representative McGregor; W. M. Floyd, national commander, Regular Veterans' Association; Charles W. Stevens, the American Legion; John C. Williamson, VFW; Thomas B. Jaimerfield, peacetime veteran (arm amputee), all of whom testified in favor of H. R. 1335; Charles W. Stevens, the American

Legion, who also testified in favor of H. R. 3181; and John C. Williamson, VFW, who testified in opposition to H. R. 3181.

Subcommittee on Education, Training, and Rehabilitation met in executive session to consider various bills.

TAX REVISION

Committee on Ways and Means: Continued hearings on general tax revision, and heard Don G. Mitchell, chairman, taxation committee, National Association of Manufacturers, New York, N. Y.; Joseph F. Mann, representing the Association of American Railroads, Washington, D. C.; and N. R. Caine, chairman, tax committee, Investors League, Inc., New York, N. Y. Hearings will continue July 14.

REPORT ON JOINT COMMITTEE MEETINGS

NAVY APPROPRIATION

Conferees on H. R. 3493, Navy Department appropriations, reached agreement and filed a report (H. Rept. 390).

INTERIOR APPROPRIATION

Conferees on H. R. 3123, Interior Department appropriations, held third meeting, but failed to reach agreement.

ATOMIC ENERGY

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Met in executive session with the Atomic Energy Commission to consider activities at the various atomic energy plants.

BILLS SIGNED BY THE PRESIDENT

(New Laws)

(For last listing of Public Laws, see p. D364)

S. 715, to provide annuities for FBI agents after 20 years of service. Signed July 11, 1947 (P. L. 168);

S. 723, to study plans and costs for an additional office building for the Senate. Signed July 11, 1947 (P. L. 169);

S. 980, to authorize the Capitol Police Board to regulate traffic in the Capitol grounds. Signed July 11, 1947 (P. L. 170);

S. 1316, to establish procedure on payment of certain Government checks. Signed July 11, 1947 (P. L. 171);

H. R. 195, to authorize sale of certain lands in Alaska. Signed July 11, 1947 (P. L. 172);

H. R. 325, to transfer Blair County, Pa., from the middle to the western judicial district. Signed July 11, 1947 (P. L. 173);

H. R. 1610, to authorize, Cairo, Ill., Bridge Commission to issue refunding bonds. Signed July 11, 1947 (P. L. 174);

H. R. 2470, to authorize establishment of Metropolitan Police band. Signed July 11, 1947 (P. L. 175);

H. R. 3072, to authorize preparation of plans for addition or extension to House Office Building. Signed July 11, 1947 (P. L. 176);

H. R. 3235, authorizing payments to attorneys and architects in condemnation proceedings. Signed July 11, 1947 (P. L. 177);

H. R. 3251, relating to retirement of certain naval officers. Signed July 11, 1947 (P. L. 178);

H. R. 3515, D. C. athletic bribery bill. Signed July 11, 1947 (P. L. 179); and

H. R. 3547, to authorize funds for D. C. ceremonies. Signed July 11, 1947 (P. L. 180).

Saturday, July 12, 1947

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate continued debate on tax bill.

House was not in session.

Wool price support bill ordered reported to House.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 8759-8761.

Bills Introduced: Seven bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1617-1623; S. Res. 148 and 149.

Pages 8759-8760

Bills Reported: Bills were reported as follows:

S. 339, private relief bill (S. Rept. 505);

S. 1576, to give subpoena power to Sec. of Treas. for conducting hearings relative to alcoholic permits (S. Rept. 506);

H. R. 1180, to authorize coinage of 50-cent pieces in commemoration of 100th anniversary of admission of Wisconsin into the Union (S. Rept. 507);

H. R. 3864, to amend D. C. Unemployment Compensation Act relative to contribution rates after military service (S. Rept. 508);

H. R. 2225, authorizing transfer of land in Texas (placed on Calendar);

S. 1132, to amend Shipping Act on conveyance of vessels (S. Rept. 509);

H. R. 2109, to amend the CAA Act of 1938 relative to through rates (S. Rept. 510);

H. R. 3539, to authorize construction of a chapel at Coast Guard Academy (S. Rept. 511).

Pages 8759, 8760-8761

Bills Referred: The following House-passed bills were referred to the committees indicated: H. R. 4051 (Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce); H. R. 4075 (Committee on Finance); and H. J. Res. 233 (Calendar). (For passage in House, see Digest, p. D368.)

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Tax Bill: Senate continued debate on H. R. 3950, reduction of individual income-tax payments, effective January 1, 1948. The following eight amendments by Senator Morse were defeated: Declaration of policy providing that no tax reduction should be made so long as employment production remains at high levels, rejected 22 yeas to 60 nays; amendment providing taxation of future issues of Federal, State, and local obligations, beginning January 1, 1948, rejected 18 yeas to 62 nays; amendments on reduction of tax rate for lower income groups, carry-overs of net operating losses, tax on small corporations, capital gains and losses, estate and gift taxes, and one providing for the President to submit in his next economic report recommendations for integration of Federal, State, and local tax programs, were all rejected by voice vote.

Pages 8761-8813

Nominations: The following nominations were received: Maj. Gen. William P. T. Hill, to be a major general while serving as Marine Corps Quartermaster General, together with 47 postmasters, and 82 in the Diplomatic and Foreign Service. The nomination of Willard L. Thorp, to serve as United States representative on the UN Economic and Social Council, was received and the previous nomination of Francis Biddle, to the same post, withdrawn.

Pages 8813-8814

Reports on Committee Meetings

WAR DEPARTMENT, CIVIL

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee continued hearings on H. R. 4002, War Department civil functions appropriation bill, with additional testimony on flood-control projects.

UN SITE

Committee on Foreign Relations: In executive session, approved S. J. Res. 144, to authorize President to approve UN site agreement.

INTERSTATE BILLS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: In executive session, the following bills were approved: S. 1132, to amend Shipping Act relative to officer of corporation authorized to execute sale or conveyance of a vessel, with amendments; H. R. 3598, granting congressional consent for fisheries compact on Pacific coast and creating Pacific-Marine Fisheries Commission, with amendments; H. R. 3539, to authorize construction of a chapel at Coast Guard Academy; H. R. 2109, amends Civil Aeronautics Act of 1938 relative to through rates; H. R. 2331, to amend ICC Act to include sleeping-car companies in definition of "carriers," relating to issuance of securities; H. R. 3247, provide basic authority for use of Coast and Geodetic Survey appropriations;

H. R. 3672, to create academic advisory board for Merchant Marine Academy; H. R. 3494, to establish permanent commissioned personnel strength of Coast Guard; and S. 885, to provide that certain United States dredging equipment be documented under the United States laws.

SOLICITOR GENERAL

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee heard the following witnesses testify in support of the nomination of Philip B. Perlman, to be United States Solicitor General: Mr. Perlman; Wendell Allen, Baltimore attorney; and P. A. Ahlstrom, secretary-treasurer of Voting Machine Corp.

ARMY-NAVY DISBURSING OFFICERS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee concluded hearings on S. 323, to provide relief for Army-Navy disbursing officers, after receiving supporting testimony from Gen. E. M. Foster, and civilian personnel.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Monday, July 14, at 12 o'clock noon.

Reports on Committee Meetings

FARM LABOR

Committee on Agriculture: Full committee met in executive session on H. R. 3367, farm-labor program, and various other bills and voted to favorably report to the House the following bills:

H. R. 4124, amends the peanut-marketing quota provisions of the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938.

H. R. 4110, amends the Marketing Research Act (Bankhead-Jones Act).

S. 1498, continues support prices for wool.

NATIONAL SECURITY ACT OF 1947

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Subcommittee to mark up H. R. 2319, National Security Act of 1947, met in executive session and concluded their work on the new bill which will probably be presented to the full committee on July 14 or 15.

Subcommittee on Surplus Property met in executive session and ordered favorably reported to the full committee the following bills:

H. Con. Res. 57, that no final action be taken by WAA leading to disposition of property in Palm Springs, Calif., until the subcommittee of the Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments has reviewed the case and made a report thereon.

S. 364, Surplus Airport Act—authorizes WAA to dispose of surplus landing and nonlanding facilities.

H. R. 119, allows Surplus Property Board to dispose of plants which cost the Government 1 million dollars (now 5 million dollars) or more without further authority from Congress (amending 58 Stat. 19).

S. 1515, makes surplus property available for the alleviation of damage caused by flood or other catastrophe.

H. R. 3800, amends the Surplus Property Act of 1944 to provide that veterans' organizations shall be given a priority in the purchase of surplus property.

GILA RECLAMATION PROJECT

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation met in executive session and voted to favorably report to the full committee S. 483, which reauthorizes the Gila Federal reclamation project and reduces its area.

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HIGHLIGHTS

Senate cleared tax bill for President and passed Agriculture appropriations.

House adjourned out of respect to Representative Mansfield of Texas.

Government corporations appropriations, four judicial, and 23 public lands bills approved by Senate groups.

Railroad reorganization bill ordered reported to House.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 8814-8822.

Bills Introduced: Six bills and three resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1624-S. 1629; S. Res. 150-151; and S. Ex. Res. 53. Pages 8818, 8830, 8855

Bills Reported: Bills and resolutions were reported as follows:

S. 885, to provide that certain dredging equipment be documented under United States laws (S. Rept. 512);

H. R. 3598, granting consent of Congress to an interstate compact on fisheries (S. Rept. 513);

H. R. 3247, to provide authority for the performance of certain functions of the Coast and Geodetic Survey (S. Rept. 514);

H. R. 3494, to establish permanent commissioned Coast Guard personnel strength (S. Rept. 515);

H. R. 3672, to create an academic advisory board for Merchant Marine Academy (S. Rept. 516);

H. R. 3756, Government Corporations appropriation bill (S. Rept. 517);

S. 421, authorize coinage of 50-cent pieces in commemoration of 100th anniversary of entrance of Utah pioneers in Salt Lake Valley (S. Rept. 518);

S. 1039, private relief bill (S. Rept. 519);

S. 1077, to authorize Coast Guard commissioned officers to preside at investigations of marine casualties (S. Rept. 520);

H. R. 2746, to provide secretaries for circuit and district judges (S. Rept. 521);

S. J. Res. 144, to authorize President to approve UN site agreement (S. Rept. 522);

Additional report of Joint Committee on Reduction of Non-Essential Expenditures;

Ten bills authorizing issuance of land patent in fee: S. 310, 311, 312, 313, 499, 500, 542, H. R. 2151, 2885, and S. 1150 (S. Repts. 523, 524, 529, 525, 526, 530, 528, 538, 541, and 545 respectively);

S. 1372 authorizing Wyandotte Tribe to sell tribal cemeteries (S. Rept. 527);

H. R. 981, relative to refund of taxes illegally paid by Indians (S. Rept. 531);

H. R. 205, granting citizenship to Metlakatla Indians of Alaska (S. Rept. 532);

H. R. 734, to declare Quinaielt Tribe of Indians the proper party plaintiff to certain lands (S. Rept. 533);

H. R. 1337, to pay \$50 per capita payment to the Red Lake Band of Chippewas (S. Rept. 534);

H. R. 1486, land patent to Alice Scott White (S. Rept. 535);

H. R. 1882, to provide funds for Indian school at Walker, Minn. (S. Rept. 536);

H. R. 2097 on ownership and sale of timber on Northern Cheyenne Indian Reservation (S. Rept. 537);

H. R. 2484, relative to payments for logging of timber for Menominee Indians (S. Rept. 539);

H. R. 2825, to provide school facilities in Mahanomen, Itasca, Pine, Becker, and Cass counties, Minn. (S. Rept. 540);

H. R. 2886, sale of land of Richard Little Light (S. Rept. 542);

H. R. 3173, clarifying laws applicable to land of Five Civilized Tribes of Oklahoma (S. Rept. 543); and

H. R. 3323, relative to determination of bonus value of oil, gas, and mining leases on Osage mineral reservation (S. Rept. 544). Page 8815

Hawaii: House amendments to S. 1419, authorizing issuance of bonds in Hawaii, were concurred in clearing bill for President. Page 8822

Tax Bill: Senate passed by 60 yeas to 32 nays, and cleared for President, H. R. 3950, providing income-tax reduction beginning January 1, 1948. (Contents of bill, except for change in date, are same as H. R. 1, which was vetoed. For details, see p. D222.)

Before passage the Senate defeated the following amendments by Senator McClellan: An amendment to permit husband and wife to split their income, 40 yeas to 52 nays; an amendment requiring the Internal Revenue Bureau to recognize family partnerships, 25 yeas to

61 nays; and an amendment to raise the personal exemption to \$600 for single persons, and \$1,200 for married couples, 43 yeas to 47 nays.

An amendment by Senator Kilgore, as a substitute for the entire bill (the same as the first McClellan amendment), was rejected by voice vote, as was an amendment by Senator Taylor to remove the tax on trailer coaches.

Pages 8822-8828, 8830-8839

Agriculture Appropriation: H. R. 3601, Agriculture Department appropriation bill, was passed by voice vote after adoption of committee amendments and others. As passed, the bill carries a total of \$664,986,426. An amendment by Senator Cooper, for himself and others, to increase the funds for Foreign Agricultural Relations Office by \$150,000 was adopted, together with an amendment by Senator Saltonstall on freight rates on fish.

A conference was asked of the House, and the following conferees appointed: Senators Brooks, Gurney, Reed, Bushfield, Russell, Hayden, and Tydings.

Pages 8839, 8841-8850

Trusteeship: H. J. Res. 233, authorizing the President to approve trusteeship agreements for Pacific islands, was passed by voice vote.

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FPC Nomination: S. Ex. Res. 52, on reference of nomination of Burton N. Behling as FPC Commissioner was discussed.

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Death of Representative: S. Res. 151, expressing condolence on the death of Representative Mansfield of Texas, was adopted.

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Reports on Committee Meetings

GOVERNMENT CORPORATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: H. R. 3756, Government Corporations appropriation bill, was reported carrying a total of \$31,746,918, which is a reduction of \$4,350,662 under the House-approved figure of \$36,097,580.

WAR DEPARTMENT, CIVIL

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on H. R. 4002, War Department civil functions appropriations, continued hearings with testimony from Senator Myers and other witnesses on flood control.

RESERVE CORPS

Committee on Armed Services: Officials of the War Department and E. A. Evans, Reserve Officers Assn., testified before the subcommittee on S. 1174, inactive-duty training pay for Organized Reserve Corps, and S. 1196, to provide for effective operation and expansion of ROTC.

HOUSING AND CONSUMER GOODS

Committee on Banking and Currency: Committee met in executive session to consider S. Con. Res. 19, to establish a joint committee to investigate high prices of consumer goods, and S. Con. Res. 25, to create a joint committee to investigate the entire housing field, but took no action. Further study will be made of these resolutions again July 17.

D. C. POLICE INVESTIGATION

Committee on the District of Columbia: Subcommittee on D. C. police investigation heard testimony from D. C. Commissioners, Police Superintendent Barrett, and other police officials.

COAST GUARD, DISBURSING OFFICERS, JUDGES, AND MISSOURI ELECTION

Committee on the Judiciary: In executive session, four bills were approved, of which one was a private claims measure (S. 1039). The three public bills include S. 1077, to authorize Coast Guard commissioned officers to preside at investigations of marine casualties, after adopting an amendment in the nature of a substitute; S. 323, to provide relief for Army-Navy disbursing officers, with amendment; and H. R. 2746, to provide secretaries for circuit and district judges.

Committee postponed indefinitely further consideration of S. Res. 116, to authorize investigation concerning the failure of the Department of Justice "to act with respect to alleged irregularities in the Democratic primary election held in the Fifth Congressional District of Missouri on August 6, 1946."

The following nominations were ordered favorably reported to the Senate: A. Roy Ashley, to be United States marshal for western district of South Carolina; T. Vincent Quinn, of New York, to be United States Assistant Attorney General; Leo P. Flynn, to be United States attorney for South Dakota; and Alton Adolor Lessard, to be United States attorney for Maine.

SOLICITOR GENERAL

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee heard further informative testimony on the nomination of Philip B. Perlman, to be United States Solicitor General, from the following witnesses: Mr. Perlman, John G. Barrett, N. Frank Fitzpatrick, and Paul A. Ahlstrom, all of Baltimore.

BILLS ON INSULAR AFFAIRS, PUBLIC LANDS, AND INDIANS

Committee on Public Lands: In executive session, committee approved the following 23 bills, of which the first 15 deal with Indians: S. 1372, authorizing Wyandotte Tribe to sell tribal cemeteries, amended; H. R. 981, relative to refund of taxes illegally paid by Indians;

H. R. 3323, relative to determination of bonus value of oil, gas, and mining leases on Osage mineral reservation; H. R. 2886, sale of land of Richard Little Light; H. R. 2885, to issue patent to Becker Little Light; H. R. 2825, to provide school facilities in Mahanomen, Itasca, Pine, Becker, and Cass counties, Minn.; H. R. 2484, relative to payments for logging of timber for Menominee Indians; H. R. 2151, patent to Erle E. Howe; H. R. 2097, on ownership and sale of timber on Northern Cheyenne Indian Reservation; H. R. 1882, to provide funds for Indian school at Walker, Minn.; H. R. 1486, land patent to Alice Scott White; H. R. 1337, to pay \$50 per capita payment to the Red Lake Band of Chippewas; H. R. 734, to declare Quinaielt Tribe of Indians the proper party plaintiff to certain lands (case now in Court of Claims); H. R. 205, granting citizenship to Metlakatla Indians of Alaska; and H. R. 3173, clarifying laws applicable to lands of Five Civilized Tribes of Oklahoma.

The following three are relative to public lands: S. 1368, to increase size of isolated tracts or parcels of

public domain which may be sold; H. R. 2938, fixing price of copies of records furnished by Dept. of Interior, amended; and S. 1220, transfer portion of Acadia National Park, Maine, from Interior to Navy jurisdiction.

The following five are relative to Alaska: H. R. 175, to give Governor of Alaska power to pardon and to remit fines and forfeitures; H. R. 187, to amend law to include air transportation for Federal employees and their families residing in Alaska; H. R. 1554, to facilitate the work of Alaska Road Commission by aiding it in obtaining rights-of-way; H. R. 1609, to provide for zoning power in town sites on public lands in Alaska; and H. R. 3343, to provide compensation to members of Alaska Game Commission for time and services spent in investigations and hearings.

GOVERNMENT CONTRACTS

Special Committee to Investigate the National Defense: Committee met in executive session with officials of the GAO to discuss the recent GAO report to Congress on the termination of Government contracts.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Fifteen public bills, H. R. 4183-4197; two private bills, H. R. 4198 and 4199; and seven resolutions, H. Res. 288-291, H. J. Res. 238, and H. Con. Res. 70 and 71, were introduced. Pages 8855, 8864, 8864-8865

Bills Reported: Bills and resolutions were reported as follows:

H. Res. 288, rule waiving all points of order against, and granting 1 hour's general debate on, S. J. Res. 123, to repeal certain emergency statutes (H. Rept. 902);

H. Res. 289, rule waiving points of order against, and granting 1 hour's general debate on, H. R. 4102, National Science Foundation bill (H. Rept. 903);

H. Res. 290, rule waiving all points of order against, and granting 1 hour's general debate on, H. R. 3043, providing for transfer of certain lands to the Secretary of the Interior (H. Rept. 904);

H. R. 4108, reducing area of Parker River National Wildlife Refuge, Mass. (H. Rept. 905);

H. R. 3370, directing Secretary of Agriculture to support price of milk (H. Rept. 906);

H. R. 2347, private claim bill (H. Rept. 907);

H. R. 4109, authorizing Census Bureau to furnish reports on stocks and consumption of related fats and oils (H. Rept. 908);

H. R. 1109, providing for a national cemetery in every State and Territory (H. Rept. 909);

H. R. 1597, relocate boundaries and reduce area of the Gila reclamation project (H. Rept. 910);

H. R. 2502, providing for general welfare and advancement of the Klamath Indians in Oregon (H. Rept. 911); and

H. R. 2867, permitting mining locations under United States mining laws within the game sanctuary of the Harney National Forest (H. Rept. 912). Page 8864

Appropriations: The Committee on Appropriations was granted permission to file, by midnight July 14, conference report on H. R. 3993, legislative appropriation bill for 1948, and H. R. 3123, Interior Department appropriation bill for 1948. Page 8855

Death of Hon. Joseph J. Mansfield: Agreed to H. Res. 291, a resolution calling for immediate adjournment of the House and suitable expressions of condolence to be extended as a mark of respect to the memory of Hon. Joseph J. Mansfield, Ninth Congressional District of Texas, who passed away on Saturday, July 12.

Pursuant to this resolution, the Speaker appointed Representatives Patman, Johnson of Texas, Combs, Pickett, and Clippinger as members of the funeral committee on the part of the House. Page 8864

Reports on Committee Meetings

FOOT AND MOUTH DISEASE

Committee on Agriculture: Special Subcommittee on Eradication of Foot and Mouth Disease held hearings and heard Preston Richardson and M. T. Morgan, Department of Agriculture; Col. Barksdale, War Department; Paul Revely, State Department; Messrs. Gregg and Tirling, Maritime Commission.

UNIVERSAL MILITARY TRAINING

Committee on Armed Services: Education and Training Subcommittee met in executive session and announced the decision to complete subcommittee action on universal military training this session.

Legal Subcommittee met on various bills and ordered favorably reported to the full committee, with amendments, the following: H. R. 2964, San Antonio Arsenal; H. R. 3417 and H. R. 3735, Santa Rosa Island. H. R. 108, Fort Schuyler, N. Y., was held over, awaiting receipt of additional reports.

FDIC STOCK—SUBSIDIES

Committee on Banking and Currency: Concluded hearings on S. 1070, to provide for the cancellation of the capital stock of the FDIC and refund of moneys received for such stock, and heard Maple T. Harl, Chairman of Board of Directors, FDIC, who testified in favor of the bill.

Met in executive session and ordered favorably reported to the House H. R. 3738, to amend Public Law 88, 79th Congress, providing subsidy payments to certain slaughterers, retroactively.

D. C. HOME RULE

Committee on the District of Columbia: Subcommittee on Home Rule and Reorganization continued hearings on home rule for the District of Columbia, and heard Dr. Robert A. Maurer, vice president, D. C. Board of Education, on whether a board was preferable to a single administrator; Edgar Morris, chairman, D. C. Board of Public Welfare; and Harry S. Wender, chairman, D. C. Board of Recreation, both of whom discussed the same subject. Hearings will be continued.

MINIMUM WAGE

Committee on Education and Labor: Subcommittee on Wages and Hours of Labor concluded hearings on H. R. 3886, increasing minimum wage rates, and heard Representative Murray, who testified in favor of the bill but suggested the inclusion of agricultural workers; Herbert Ferster, men's clothing industry, New York, who testified in favor of the bill; and John H. Todd, representative, National Cotton Compressors and Cotton Warehousemen's Association, who testified in opposition to the bill.

STATE DEPARTMENT

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Subcommittee on State Department Organization and Personnel heard John E. Peurifoy, State Department, on organizational problems of the State Department.

INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee on International Organizations and Law met in executive session on H. R. 4010, International Organizations Procurement Act.

ANTI-POLL TAX

Committee on House Administration: Continued hearings on various anti-poll-tax bills, and heard Representatives Clason, Williams of Mississippi, and Dawson. Hearings will be continued.

INTERSTATE AND FOREIGN COMMERCE

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Met to hear Members of Congress on bills introduced by them and pending before the committee, as per the chairman's announcement on the floor of the House on January 20, 1947, and heard Representatives Andrews of Alabama, sponsor of H. R. 3730; Jackson of Washington, sponsor of H. R. 2638; Clason, sponsor of H. R. 3841; Howell, sponsor of H. R. 3658 and H. R. 4021; Bulwinkle, sponsor of H. R. 3934; Miller of Connecticut, sponsor of H. R. 3835; Bennett of Missouri, sponsor of H. R. 4092; Wolverton, sponsor of H. R. 3751, H. R. 3595, H. R. 3925, H. R. 4112, H. R. 4113, and H. R. 4114; Javits, sponsor of H. R. 3762; Lynch, sponsor of H. R. 4094; and Bender, sponsor of H. J. Res. 217.

RAILROAD REORGANIZATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Met in executive session and ordered favorably reported to the House H. R. 3980, to enable debtor railroad corporations expeditiously to effectuate reorganization of their financial structures; to alter or modify their financial securities; and for other purposes.

PUBLIC LANDS BILLS—EVERGLADES—INDIANS

Committee on Public Lands: Full committee met in executive session and ordered favorably reported to the House the following bills: H. R. 1597, relocating boundaries to reduce area of the Gila reclamation project; H. R. 3834, Fort Sumner irrigation project; H. R. 1330, to abolish the Jackson Hole Monument; and S. 272, providing for a national cemetery in every State and Territory.

Subcommittee on Public Lands held hearings on H. R. 3378, relating to the completion of the Everglades

National Park in Florida, and heard Representative Smathers; John D. Dennekamp, Miami, Fla.; Senators Holland and Pepper, who testified in favor of the bill; and Hon. Tom Watson, Attorney General of Florida, who testified in opposition to the bill.

Subcommittee on Indian Affairs held hearings on various Indian bills and heard a delegation of eight Indians; Senator Thomas; Representative Morris; Exall English, an Oklahoma businessman; and W. C. Lewis, attorney for the Indians, on H. R. 3021. No action was taken on this bill.

S. 30, which had been previously ordered reported to the full committee, was called back to subcommittee.

Heard Representative Mundt and Wm. Zimmerman, Jr., Bureau of Indian Affairs, on H. R. 2622. Mr. Zimmerman also testified on H. R. 3661, which bill was tabled.

Robert Yellowtail, representing the Crow Indians; and John H. Provinse, of the Department of the Interior, testified on H. R. 3717, H. R. 3200, and H. R. 3671. Action on these bills was deferred until the next session of Congress.

ST. LAWRENCE SEAWAY

Committee on Public Works: Met on H. J. Res. 192, St. Lawrence Seaway, but adjourned immediately out of respect for Hon. Joseph J. Mansfield, of Texas, a member of the committee, who passed away on Saturday, July 12.

EMERGENCY POWERS—SCIENCE FOUNDATION

Committee on Rules: Heard Representative Springer of the Committee on Judiciary, who favored a rule providing consideration of S. J. Res. 123, which would terminate certain emergency and war powers. A resolution waiving points of order and providing 1 hour of general debate was ordered reported.

Heard Representative Bishop, who favored a rule providing consideration of H. R. 3043, a bill to provide for the transfer of certain lands to the Secretary of the Interior, and for other purposes. A resolution waiving points of order and providing 1 hour of debate was ordered reported.

Heard Representatives Dolliver and Priest of the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce, who favored a rule providing consideration of H. R. 4102, a bill to promote the progress of science; to advance the national health, prosperity, and welfare; to secure the national defense; and for other purposes. A resolution waiving points of order and providing 1 hour of debate was ordered reported.

TAX REVISION

Committee on Ways and Means: Continued hearings on general tax revisions, and heard Roy C. Osgood,

Chicago, Ill., representing U. S. Chamber of Commerce, who testified on estate taxes; Paul Shorb and Laurence A. Tanzer, New York City, representing U. S. Chamber of Commerce, who testified on individual income taxes; R. W. Englehart and Mrs. Marjorie Coc, Parker Rust Proof Co., Detroit, Mich., who testified on pension trusts; E. C. Alvord, attorney, Washington, D. C., representing the U. S. Chamber of Commerce, who testified on the administration of corporation taxes; and Henry B. Fernald, representing the U. S. Chamber of Commerce, who testified on depreciation, depletion, and obsolescence. Hearings will be continued.

REPORT ON JOINT COMMITTEE MEETINGS

LEGISLATIVE APPROPRIATION

Conferees on H. R. 3993, legislative appropriation bill, reached agreement and filed a report (H. Rept. 913).

ECONOMIC CONDITIONS

Joint Committee on the Economic Report: Continuing hearings on economic conditions, committee heard Jerome M. Ney, chairman of the board of the American Retail Federation, propose "benchmarks" toward the goal of full production and employment; Arthur R. Upgren, professor of economics, University of Minn., and associate editor of the Minneapolis Star, urge the continuous development of three types of plans for "bringing in," as they may prove to be needed, new large amounts of wanted capital formation; and C. Wilson Harder, National Federation of Small Business, Inc. (testimony read by Mr. Bürger), recommend steps which should be taken to keep the small enterprises sound. Hearings to be continued.

INTERIOR APPROPRIATION

Conferees on H. R. 3123, Interior Department appropriation bill, held fourth meeting, but failed to reach agreement.

BILLS SIGNED BY THE PRESIDENT

(New Laws)

(For last listing of Public Laws, see p. D370)

S. 665, to reimburse certain Navy personnel for money stolen or obtained from them while on duty at Farragut, Idaho. Signed July 11, 1947 (P. L. 181);

S. 686, authorizing appropriation for public high-school facilities at Owyhee, Nev. Signed July 11, 1947 (P. L. 182);

H. R. 599, relative to navigable waters in Maine. Signed July 11, 1947 (P. L. 183);

S. J. Res. 122, consenting to an interstate compact to conserve oil and gas. Signed July 12, 1947 (P. L. 184).

Tuesday, July 15, 1947

HIGHLIGHTS

Navy and legislative appropriations cleared for President.
Senate passed War Department and independent offices appropriations.
House passed Federal employees loyalty bill and 47 Private Calendar and 9 D. C. measures.
Military and civil-service bills approved by Senate groups.
New National Security Act ordered reported to House.
See Table on Appropriations.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 8865-8911.

Bills Introduced: Ten bills were introduced, as follows: S. 1630-S. 1639. Page 8870

Bills Reported: Bills and resolutions were reported, as follows:

S. 318, to authorize coinage of 50-cent pieces to commemorate patriotic service of Patrick Henry (S. Rept. 546);

S. 1368, to increase size of isolated tracts or parcels of public domain which may be sold (S. Rept. 547);

S. 1220, to transfer portion of Acadia National Park, Maine, from Interior to Navy jurisdiction (S. Rept. 548);

H. R. 175, to give Governor of Alaska power to pardon and to remit fines and forfeitures (S. Rept. 549);

H. R. 187, to amend law to include air transportation for Federal employees and their families residing in Alaska (S. Rept. 550);

H. R. 1554, to facilitate the work of Alaska Road Commission by aiding it in obtaining rights-of-way (S. Rept. 551);

H. R. 1609, to provide for zoning power in town sites on public lands in Alaska (S. Rept. 552);

H. R. 3343, to provide compensation to members of Alaska Game Commission for time and services spent in investigations and hearings (S. Rept. 553);

H. R. 2938, fixing price of copies of records furnished by Dept. of Interior (S. Rept. 554);

H. R. 1203, to provide compensation for persons performing duties of postmasters (S. Rept. 555);

H. R. 2857, to extend second-class mailing privileges to State Conservation bulletins (S. Rept. 556);

S. 323, to provide relief for Army-Navy disbursing officers (S. Rept. 557);

S. Res. 144, authorizing D. C. police investigation (no written report, and referred to Committee on Rules and Administration);

S. Res. 148, authorizing Committee on Public Lands to hold hearings (no written report, and referred to Committee on Rules and Administration);

H. R. 2331, to amend ICC Act to include sleeping-car companies in definition of "carriers," relating to issuance of securities (S. Rept. 558); and

S. J. Res. 136, authorizing the President to accept UN Convention on Privileges and Immunities (S. Rept. 559). Page 8867

FPC Nomination: S. Ex. Res. 52, transferring the nomination of Burton N. Behling, as FPC Commissioner, from the Committee on Public Works to the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce, was adopted, 66 yeas to 19 nays. Pages 8872-9063

War Department Appropriation: H. R. 3678, War Department appropriation bill, carrying a total of \$5,616,618,799, was passed after adoption of a personnel limitation amendment by Senator Gurney, and rejection by division vote of an amendment by Senator Magnuson to prohibit time studies. A proposal by Senator Langer to give the National Guard the franking privilege on official mail was rejected on a point of order.

A conference was asked of the House, and the following conferees appointed: Senators Gurney, Brooks, Reed, Bridges, Thomas of Oklahoma, Hayden, and Overton. Pages 8884-8889

Navy-Legislative Conference Reports: Conference reports on H. R. 3993, legislative appropriations, and H. R. 3493, Navy Department appropriations, were adopted by voice vote, clearing bills for President. Pages 8889-8891

Independent Offices: H. R. 3839, independent offices appropriations bill, was passed by voice vote, carrying a total of \$8,307,978,247. An amendment by Senator Fulbright to increase the funds for the Federal Trade Commission by \$920,580 was defeated 35 yeas to 47

nays. Amendments by Senator Green adding \$13,972,220 for Veterans' Administration, and one by Senator Reed permitting use of certain emergency funds for roads, were adopted.

A conference was asked of the House and the following conferees appointed: Senators Reed, Bridges, Brooks, Cordon, Green, Russell, and McKellar. Pages 8892-8905

Adjourn: Voted 35 yeas to 29 nays to adjourn after Senator Morse moved to consider S. 1394, to increase veterans' subsistence payments. Page 8911

Reports on Committee Meetings

D. C. APPROPRIATION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on H. R. 4106, D. C. appropriation bill, completed hearings with testimony from various D. C. officials.

MILITARY BILLS APPROVED

Committee on Armed Services: Committee approved the following bills: H. R. 1366, Army-Navy procurement bill, with amendment; H. R. 3851, to provide \$100 a month increase for doctors in armed services, with amendments; H. R. 3501, to provide lump-sum payments in lieu of terminal leave; H. R. 4017, to redeem terminal leave bonds; S. 1252, relating to naval reorganization affecting status of the Chief of Naval Operations and Chief of Material Division; and a bill (to be introduced) combining S. 1103 and S. 1527, to provide a permanent basis for women in the armed services.

Committee also considered H. R. 2183, conveying portion of Fort Wayne Military Reservation to Detroit, but action was held over.

GI LOANS

Committee on Banking and Currency: The following witnesses testified in support of S. 1543, to restore to RFC Act certain provisions concerning GI loans: Frank W. Kelsey and T. B. King, Veterans' Administration; James L. Dougherty, RFC; and D. R. Bonniwell, Banco de Fomento de Puerto Rico. Also, John D. Goodloe, Chairman of Board of Directors of RFC, testified.

Following hearings, committee appointed a subcommittee consisting of Senators Sparkman, Capehart, and Bricker to redraft the bill. Committee meets again Thursday.

POSTMASTERS AND CIVIL SERVICE BILLS

Committee on Civil Service: Nominations of 139 persons to be postmasters were reported, and 20 others were recommended for further consideration.

Committee also approved the following bills: S. Con. Res. 20, to examine business methods and operations of Post Office Department; S. 1089, to extend optional re-

tirement rights to employees of Bureau of Narcotics; H. R. 966, to amend Veterans' Preference Act of 1944 to require proper administrative officer to accept decision of Civil Service Commission on an appeal by discharged or suspended veteran, with amendment; and H. R. 1995, to permit Federal employees to withdraw deductions prior to retirement any time within ten years. Representative Rees appeared in support of H. R. 1995 before it was approved.

D. C. POLICE INVESTIGATION

Committee on the District of Columbia: S. Res. 144, authorizing investigation of D. C. Police Department, was unanimously reported.

FOREIGN INFORMATION AND EXCHANGE

Committee on Foreign Relations: In executive session, discussed H. R. 3342, United States Information and Educational Exchange Act. Committee meets again tomorrow (July 16).

CIRCUIT COURT

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee met on the nomination of Philip L. Rice, to be judge of the Fifth Circuit Court, Hawaii.

DISTRICT JUDGE

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee heard opposition testimony to the nomination of Leo F. Rayfiel, to be United States district judge for eastern district of New York, from Jackson Dykman, attorney from Brooklyn and chairman of the committee on judicial selections of N. Y. State Bar Assn., as well as representing American Bar Assn.; and Robert E. Lee, president, N. Y. Bar Assn. Committee meets again July 17.

PETROLEUM

Committee on Public Lands: National Resources Economic Subcommittee heard the following witnesses discuss petroleum shortage: William C. Foster and H. B. McCoy, Commerce Department; Admiral Hoover, Chairman, and Col. G. H. Vogel, Army-Navy Petroleum Board; John W. Boatwright, Standard Oil of Ind.; Admiral W. Ward Smith, chairman, Maritime Commission; and Charles Rayner, petroleum adviser to State Department.

Yesterday, subcommittee heard officials of the Interior Department and representatives of industry on this same subject. Hearings to be continued.

PUBLIC WORKS AND FEDERAL POLICE

Committee on Public Works: Committee considered S. 1423, to enable States and local governments to plan for construction of public works, and H. R. 3219, to appoint special policemen for duty on Federal property under jurisdiction of FWA, but took no action.

STEEL SUPPLY AND DISTRIBUTION

Special Committee to Study Problems of American Small Business: Steel Subcommittee, in an effort to trace the sources of supply in steel gray-market deals, "to stop the gaps through which a considerable tonnage is flowing," heard testimony from following witnesses: R. A. Ascher, N. Y., Leonard Jacobson and Leo G. Tokoph,

of Chicago, and L. E. Schreiner, Hamilton National Bank, Washington. Alleged acceptances of deposits on offered steel and the failure to return deposits when the promised steel was not forthcoming were discussed. It was pointed out that many reputable small business concerns have been victimized in their desperate attempts to secure steel in this manner.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Eighteen public bills, H. R. 4200-4217; eleven private bills, H. R. 4218-4228; and fifteen resolutions, H. Res. 292-300; H. J. Res. 239-241; and H. Con Res. 72-74, were introduced.

Pages 8942, 8981, 8991-8992

Bills Reported: Bills and resolutions were reported as follows:

Conference report on H. R. 3993, legislative appropriation bill for 1948 (H. Rept. 913);

H. R. 1330, abolishing Jackson Hole National Monument (H. Rept. 914);

S. 272, utilizing surplus War Department owned military real property as national cemeteries when feasible (H. Rept. 915);

H. Res. 244, initiating investigations into supplying additional water for southern California and the Colorado River basin (H. Rept. 916);

H. Res. 292, rule waiving points of order against and granting 1 hour general debate on H. R. 4127, amending Civil Service Retirement Act relative to liberalization of annuities and benefits (H. Rept. 918);

H. R. 3325, enabling Osage Indians who served in World War II to obtain loans under the Servicemen's Readjustment Act of 1944 (H. Rept. 919);

S. 1498, directing CCC to continue the wool price support program (H. Rept. 920);

S. 338, authorizing Secretary of Agriculture to limit entries of nursery stock from foreign countries. (H. Rept. 921);

H. R. 4124, amending peanut marketing quota provisions of the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938 (H. Rept. 922);

H. R. 3980, enabling debtor railroads to effectuate reorganization, alteration, and modification of their financial structures (H. Rept. 923);

H. R. 3834, authorizing rehabilitation project of certain works on Fort Sumner irrigation district in New Mexico (H. Rept. 924);

H. R. 3814, establishing hospital for Negro veterans in Franklin County, Va., birthplace of Booker T. Washington (H. Rept. 925);

H. R. 3417, conveying part of Santa Rosa Island to Escambia County, Fla. (H. Rept. 926);

H. R. 3735, conveying part of Santa Rosa Island to Okaloosa County, Fla. (H. Rept. 927);

H. R. 3632, extending time for filing for refunds from Unemployment Trust Fund of the Railroad Retirement Board (H. Rept. 928);

S. Con. Res. 14, favoring representation of American small businessmen on Government policy-making boards (H. Rept. 929); and

H. R. 4110, correcting certain language in title I of the Bankhead-Jones Act (H. Rept. 930).

Pages 8931-8933, 8990-8991

Private Calendar: Considered private claims bills on the Private Calendar and took the following action:

Passed without amendment: H. R. 439, 618, 769, 1226, 1654, 1744, 1933, 2213, 2350, 2534, 3068, 3168, 3361, 3495, and 3726; and S. 179, 403, 484, 880, 1360, and 1402.

Passed, amended: H. R. 185, 388, 434, 640, 890, 1085, 1078, 1175, 1215, 1316, 1319, 1648, 1730, 1864, 1953, 2129, 2348, 2373, 2374, 2432, 2506, 2811, 3064, 3118, and 3845.

Passed over without prejudice: H. R. 718, 1534, 1781, 2192, 3088, 3111, 3383, and 3499; and S. 358 and S. 851.

Recommended: H. R. 2633.

Objected to, and recommitted: H. R. 2012, 2268, 2696, and 2783; and S. 1360.

S. 558 was passed in lieu of H. R. 1931, a companion bill which was ordered to lie on the table.

Pages 8914-8922

District of Columbia: Passed the following bills from the Committee on the District of Columbia:

Park Police: H. R. 2471, reimbursing the District for expenditures made for compensation and other expenses of the United States Park Police force.

Radio Antennae: H. R. 2984, prohibiting installation of radio and television antennae, etc., in certain areas of the District.

Recorder of Deeds: H. R. 3045, placing the Office of the Recorder of Deeds under the direction of the District Commissioners.

Teachers: H. R. 3852, extending the amortization period of teachers' retirement from 20 to 50 years.

Public Welfare: H. R. 3873, establishing a Department of Public Welfare in the District.

Police: H. R. 3978, giving Metropolitan Police lieutenants, while assigned as supervisors, grade and basic pay of captain.

Insurance: H. R. 3998, regulating casualty insurance rates in the District of Columbia.

Relief Benefits: S. 924, crediting active service in United States armed forces for determining eligibility for benefits from police and firemen's relief fund.

Reporters: S. 1462, authorizing official shorthand reporters of the D. C. municipal court to collect fees for transcripts.

Pages 8933-8939

Timber: Agreed to H. J. Res. 205, authorizing the Secretary of Agriculture to sell timber within the Tongass National Forest.

Pages 8913-8914

Agriculture Appropriations: Disagreed to Senate amendments on H. R. 3601, Agriculture Department Appropriations for 1948, agreed to the conference asked, and Representatives Dirksen, Plumley, Andersen of Minnesota, Horan, Phillips of California, Cannon, Shepard, and Whitten were appointed conferees on the part of the House.

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Navy-Legislative Appropriations: Adopted conference reports on H. R. 3493, Navy appropriation bill for 1948; and H. R. 3993, legislative appropriation bill for 1948, completing congressional action.

Pages 8926-8933

Temporary Appropriations: Passed H. J. Res. 240 (H. Rept. 917), making temporary appropriations for fiscal year 1948, for pay-roll purposes only.

Pages 8941-8942

National Security: Agreed to H. Con. Res. 70 (H. Rept. 931), authorizing printing of 5,000 additional copies of hearings on H. R. 2319, "National Security Act of 1947."

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Committee Elections: Agreed to H. Res. 299, electing Representative Maloney, of Pennsylvania, to the Committee on Foreign Affairs; and

H. Res. 300, electing Representative Jenkins of Pennsylvania to the Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries.

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Order of Business: Agreed to dispense with Calendar Wednesday business of Wednesday, July 16.

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Subsidies—National Security: Committee on Banking and Currency was granted permission to file by midnight, July 15, a report on H. R. 3738, amending Public Law 88 (79th Cong.), relating to subsidy payments; and the Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments, on H. R. 4214, National Security Act of 1947.

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Loyalty Bill: Passed, by a vote of 319 yeas to 61 nays, H. R. 3813, a measure providing for a preliminary loyalty check on all Federal employees and job applicants by the Civil Service Commission.

Investigation by the FBI of adverse findings is provided, prior to action by five-member Federal Loyalty Review Board, whose findings of fact are to be final. A motion to recommit the bill to provide for appeal to the Court of Appeals was rejected by a vote of 133 to 248.

Pages 8942-8980

Reports on Committee Meetings

FARM PROGRAM

Committee on Agriculture: Resumed hearings on long-range farm program and heard J. A. Higgons, Jr., executive vice president, National Association of Commodity Exchanges and Allied Trades, Inc. Hearings will be continued.

MILITARY BILLS

Committee on Armed Services: Full committee met to hear subcommittee reports, and ordered favorably reported to the House the following bills:

H. R. 1544, gold star lapel button; H. R. 2993, appointment of certain additional permanent major generals and brigadier generals of the line of the Regular Army; H. R. 2575, court martial bill, with amendment; H. R. 3227, inactive duty training pay; H. R. 4143, R. O. T. C. bill; H. R. 3417 and H. R. 3735, Santa Rosa Island; and H. R. 2964, San Antonio Arsenal, amended.

Committee adopted a resolution directing Secretary of the Navy to issue a directive to effect decentralization of procurement control.

Secretary of War Patterson and General Eisenhower testified on H. R. 2575.

D. C. HOME RULE

Committee on the District of Columbia: Subcommittee on Home Rule and Reorganization continued hearings on home rule for the District of Columbia and heard Representative Hays, who gave his views with respect to the government of the District; Douglas W. McGregor, Assistant to the Attorney General, who outlined a division between Federal and District interests for courts, prosecution of cases, use of Federal penal institutions;

Hon. Harold M. Stephens, Associate Justice, United States Court of Appeals; Hon. Bolitha J. Laws, Chief Justice, United States District Court; and Hon. George P. Barse, Chief Justice, District Municipal Court, all of whom defined differences between United States and District interests in the District of Columbia. Hearings will be continued.

ST. ELIZABETHS HOSPITAL—FEDERAL AID TO EDUCATION

Committee on Education and Labor: Met in executive session and ordered favorably reported to the House H. R. 3870, to authorize certain expenditures from the appropriation of St. Elizabeths Hospital. On H. R. 2953, Federal Aid to Education Act of 1947, the committee instructed the chairman to make further inquiry of the Governors of States as to their financial needs.

NATIONAL SECURITY ACT OF 1947

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: In executive session the committee voted to favorably report to the House the marked-up version of H. R. 2319, National Security Act of 1947, which will be introduced as a clean bill and will be H. R. 4214.

ANTI-POLL TAX

Committee on House Administration: Subcommittee on Elections continued hearings on various anti-poll-tax bills and heard Representative Gossard; George Washington Williams, attorney, Baltimore, Md.; and Representative Celler.

RAILROAD RETIREMENT—SMALL BUSINESSMEN

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Met in executive session and ordered favorably reported H. R. 3632, Railroad Retirement Board Unemployment Trust Fund; and S. Con. Res. 14, representation of small businessmen on policy-making bodies.

Continued hearings on H. R. 4043, German special deposit account, and heard Representative Reed, sponsor of the bill, who testified in favor of the legislation; Parker McCollister, of Lord, Dan & Lord, New York City, who also testified in favor of the bill; and James L. Morrison, attorney, Department of Justice, who opposed the bill unless amended.

ALASKA—VIRGIN ISLANDS

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Territorial and Insular Possessions met and ordered reported favorably to the full committee H. R. 3973, relating to compensation of commissioners for the Territory of Alaska. Also heard Delegate Bartlett on H. R. 1553, providing for a Resident Commissioner from the Virgin Islands.

ST. LAWRENCE SEAWAY—GAO BUILDING—FLOOD CONTROL

Committee on Public Works: Continued hearings on H. J. Res. 192, St. Lawrence Seaway, and heard Lt. Gen. R. A. Wheeler, Chief of Army Engineers; Julius H. Barnes, president, National St. Lawrence Association, both of whom testified in favor of the bill; and Hon. Hamilton Fish, Jr., New York City; and G. E. Mace, Commerce and Industry Association of New York, both of whom testified in opposition to the bill. Hearings will be continued.

Met in executive session and ordered favorably reported to the House H. R. 4068, construction of a building for the General Accounting Office; and H. R. 3334, with amendment, granting consent of Congress to the Pennsylvania Power & Light Co. to construct a dam across the Susquehanna River, Pa. Resolutions for review of survey reports by the Board of Engineers for Rivers and Harbors were adopted by the full committee as follows: Ohio River at Mill Creek, W. Va.; Chartiers Creek, Pa.; Wear Creek and its tributaries, Mo.; Rector Creek, Ill., and the North Fork of the Saline River, Ill.; Sun River, Mont.; Kawkawlin River and its tributaries, Mich.; Minnesota River, protection of Mendota Bridge against bank erosion, Minn.; and Nodaway River, Mo.

RETIREMENT—NAVY POSTGRADUATE SCHOOL

Committee on Rules: Heard Chairman Rees and Representatives Stevenson and Miller, of the Committee on Post Office and Civil Service, who favored a rule providing consideration of H. R. 4127, a bill to amend the Civil Service Retirement Act of May 29, 1930, as amended. A resolution waiving points of order and providing 1 hour of debate was ordered reported.

Heard Representative Anderson of California, of the Committee on Armed Services, who favored a rule providing consideration of H. R. 1341, a bill to authorize the Secretary of the Navy to construct a postgraduate school at Monterey, Calif. No action was taken on the resolution.

VETERANS' HOSPITAL

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Met in executive session and ordered favorably reported H. R. 3814, to establish a Veterans' Administration hospital for Negroes at the birthplace of Booker T. Washington.

TAX REVISION

Committee on Ways and Means: Continued hearings on general tax revisions and heard Representative Keating, who testified on H. R. 2850, to provide for additional medical and dental expenses; Dr. J. Rhoads Foster, New York University, representing National Association of Electrical Companies, who testified on general

revisions; and Judd C. Benson, National Association of Life Underwriters, Washington, D. C., who testified on estate taxes and general revisions. Hearings will be continued.

Met in executive session and ordered favorably reported the following bills: H. J. Res. 238, amending paragraph 1772 of the Tariff Act of 1930 and defining standard newsprint paper; H. R. 3613, removal of document tax on corporate shares of stock in certain instances; H. R. 958, removing tax on aromatic cashews by redesignating them to come under cosmetics; and H. R. 2029, providing for free importation of synthetic rubber scrap.

REPORT ON JOINT COMMITTEE MEETINGS ECONOMIC CONDITIONS

Joint Committee on the Economic Report: George M. Humphrey, Pittsburgh Consolidation Coal Co., appeared before the joint committee to discuss the coal contracts and their effect upon the so-called wage price spiral; Earl Bunting, NAM, stated it was possible "to establish certain principles to guide our decisions" and

briefly reviewed our present economic situation; and General Robert E. Wood, Sears, Roebuck & Co., viewed the "panorama of industry, both of production and of distribution." Hearings to be continued.

INTERIOR APPROPRIATION

Conferees on H. R. 3123, Interior Department appropriation bill, held fifth meeting, but failed to reach agreement.

BILLS SIGNED BY THE PRESIDENT

(New Laws)

(For last listing of Public Laws, see p. D377)

H. R. 959, relative to draw-back allowances on distilled spirits or wines manufactured for export. Signed July 14, 1947 (P. L. 185);

H. R. 1945, amending Internal Revenue Code relative to regulatory provisions governing wine production. Signed July 14, 1947 (P. L. 186);

H. R. 1946, amending Internal Revenue Code relative to blending of fruit brandies and imposition of an additional tax of 30 cents a gallon on such brandy. Signed July 14, 1947 (P. L. 187).

Bill No.	Title	Budget estimates	House			Senate			Public law	
			Date reported	Amount as reported	Date passed	Amount as passed	Date reported	Amount as reported	Date passed	Amount as passed
H. R. 1968	Urgent Deficiency, 1947 Rescission (Contracts)	\$179,319,100 564,217,844 132,000,000	Feb. 17	\$139,360,000 574,148,579 132,000,000	Feb. 18	\$139,360,000 574,148,579 132,000,000	Feb. 23	\$180,966,231 565,461,151 132,000,000	Mar. 5	\$181,486,231 565,461,151 132,000,000
H. R. 2436	Treasury-Post Office 1948 Treasury-Post Office	4,099,123,500 2,554,034,230 1,545,089,230	Mar. 7	3,202,050,750 1,671,317,500 1,530,733,250	Mar. 11	3,202,050,750 1,671,317,500 1,530,733,250	May 26	3,243,045,173 1,710,506,523 1,532,538,650	June 2	3,243,045,173 1,710,506,523 1,532,538,650
H. R. 2700	Labor-Federal Security, 1948 Labor-Federal Security F. S. A. Related agencies	1,779,614,039 103,578,700 976,370,339 695,665,000	Mar. 21	1,684,586,780 90,864,200 899,045,180 695,677,400	Mar. 25	1,684,586,780 89,864,200 899,045,180 695,677,400	Apr. 28	1,676,198,080 79,862,900 899,688,080 696,647,100	May 5	1,676,198,080 79,862,900 899,688,080 696,647,100
H. J. Res. 159	To supply deficiencies	243,610,987	Mar. 26	243,255,607	Mar. 26	243,255,607	Mar. 27	243,255,607	Mar. 28	243,255,607
H. R. 2849	First deficiency	3,106,566,789	Mar. 28	2,471,498,548	Apr. 1	2,827,526,186	Apr. 21	2,832,180,266	Apr. 24	2,835,199,009
H. J. Res. 154	Hoof-and-mouth disease	9,000,000	Mar. 21	9,000,000	Mar. 21	9,000,000	Mar. 24	9,000,000	Mar. 25	9,000,000
H. R. 3123	Interior Department, 1948	296,135,420	Apr. 21	156,538,513	Apr. 25	161,413,513	June 13	215,530,353	June 16	215,530,353
H. R. 3245	Second Deficiency, 1947	139,528,414	Apr. 29	95,478,658	May 2	95,478,658	May 15	135,418,858	May 16	135,418,858
H. R. 3311	State-Justice-Commerce, 1948 State-Justice-Commerce Justice-Commerce Commerce Judiciary	698,788,588 279,699,268 111,470,000 286,989,000 20,650,320	May 5 May 5 May 5 May 5 May 5	538,976,492 219,128,058 108,396,500 194,305,484 17,146,450	May 15 May 15 May 15 May 15 May 15	538,976,492 219,128,058 108,396,500 194,305,484 17,146,450	June 24 June 24 June 24 June 24 June 24	551,343,932 234,324,703 107,438,230 192,332,834 17,248,165	July 1 July 1 July 1 July 1 July 1	553,595,932 234,724,703 107,488,230 192,384,834 19,048,165
H. R. 3493	Navv, 1948	3,513,000,300	May 16	3,135,481,100	May 20	3,135,481,100	June 23	3,312,044,300	June 24	3,312,044,300
H. R. 3601	Agriculture, 1948	805,141,608	May 23	569,713,866	May 28	572,172,266	July 11	664,836,426	July 14	664,986,426
H. R. 3678	Military, 1948	5,716,791,500	May 29	5,240,982,423	June 5	5,280,982,423	July 9	5,616,618,799	July 15	5,616,618,799
H. R. 3756	Government Corporations Appropriations Administrative expenditures limitations	50,137,500 56,497,250	June 9	36,097,500 41,649,700	June 11	36,097,500 41,649,700	July 14	31,746,918 47,435,000	.....	.....
H. R. 3711	Second Urgent Deficiency	61,778,757	June 11	58,956,257	June 12	70,856,257	June 20	72,236,257	June 23	72,236,257
H. R. 3839	Independent Offices	8,500,497,739	June 13	8,167,869,027	June 18	8,167,869,027	July 11	8,294,006,027	July 15	8,307,978,247
H. R. 3993	Legislative	76,153,077	June 26	54,907,505	June 27	54,905,005	July 9	55,596,908	July 10	55,631,908
H. R. 4002	War-Civil Functions	382,727,100	June 27	339,186,869	July 2	339,186,869	.....	.....	.....	.....
H. R. 4031	Emergency Appropriation		June 30	6,180,000	June 30	6,180,000	July 1	Blanket extension	July 1	Blanket extension
H. R. 4106	District of Columbia	95,793,160	July 8	95,930,310	July 9	95,930,310				

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HIGHLIGHTS

Presidential message on flood control received by both Houses.

Senate passed Government Corporations appropriations and 60 bills on call of Calendar.

House passed National Science Foundation bill.

Several investigations approved by Senate groups.

Bills on foreign affairs, surplus property, war claims, wildlife, and Indians ordered reported to House.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 8992-9009.

Bills Introduced: Eight bills were introduced as follows: S. 1640-1647.

Pages 8993, 8998

Bills Reported: Bills and resolutions were reported as follows:

S. 1505, authorizing Sec. of Agriculture to convey lands in Idaho (S. Rept. 560);

S. 1555, providing for donation of farm labor camps to institutions (S. Rept. 561);

H. R. 2511, authorizing Sec. of Agriculture to give quitclaim to land in Maryland (S. Rept. 562);

S. Res. 147, authorizing study of agricultural legislation (S. Rept. 563);

H. R. 3501, to provide lump-sum payments in lieu of terminal leave (S. Rept. 564);

S. 1252, relating to naval reorganization and status of Chiefs of Naval Operations and of Material Division (S. Rept. 565);

H. R. 3587, to establish a National Aviation Council (no written report);

H. R. 4017, to redeem terminal leave bonds (S. Rept. 566);

S. 1641, to provide a permanent basis for women in armed services (S. Rept. 567);

H. R. 966, to require administrative officer to accept decision of Civil Service Commission on appeal by discharged or suspended veteran (S. Rept. 568);

S. 1089, to extend optional retirement rights to employees of Bureau of Narcotics (S. Rept. 569);

H. R. 3191, to extend benefits of Missing Persons Act to Filipinos (S. Rept. 570);

H. R. 1366, to facilitate procurement of supplies for Army-Navy (S. Rept. 571);

S. 1639, repair of irrigation works in Ft. Sumner irrigation district (S. Rept. 572);

S. Res. 132, to provide \$50,000 for Banking and Currency Committee to investigate operations of RFC and subsidiaries (no written report);

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S. Res. 141, to provide \$25,000 for Finance Committee to investigate social-security system (no written report);

S. Res. 144, to provide \$25,000 for D. C. Committee to investigate police administration in D. C. (no written report);

S. Res. 145, to provide \$25,000 additional for the Special Committee to Investigate the National Defense Program (no written report);

S. Res. 137, authorize \$50,000 for immigration system investigation; and

H. R. 3342, information and education exchange bill (S. Rept. 573).

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Bills Referred: The following House-passed bills were referred to the committees indicated: H. R. 185 and 3064 (Committee on Public Lands); H. R. 388, 434, 439, 618, 640, 769, 890, 1078, 1085, 1175, 1215, 1226, 1316, 1319, 1648, 1654, 1730, 1744, 1864, 1933, 1953, 2129, 2213, 2348, 2350, 2373, 2374, 2432, 2506, 2534, 2811, 3068, 3118, 3168, 3361, 3495, and 3845 (Committee on the Judiciary); H. R. 2471, 2984, 3045, 3852, 3873, 3978, and 3998 (Committee on the District of Columbia); H. R. 3813 (Committee on Civil Service); H. R. 3726 and H. J. Res. 205 (Calendar). (For passage in House, see Digest, pp. D380-D381.)

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Missouri Election: S. Res. 150, to discharge the Committee on the Judiciary from further consideration of S. Res. 116, to authorize investigation of Missouri 1946 primary election, was debated and placed on the Senate calendar.

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Flood Control: Presidential message on flood control (H. Doc. 404) was received and referred to the Committee on Public Works.

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Printing: Approved H. Con. Res. 70, authorizing printing of additional House Expenditures Committee hearings.

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Temporary Appropriation: H. J. Res. 240, authorizing temporary appropriations, was passed.

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Government Corporations: Senate passed by voice vote H. R. 3756, Government corporations appropriations, carrying a total of \$31,746,918. An amendment by Senator McCarran to increase funds for TVA by \$2,500,000, was defeated by division vote, and an amendment by Senator Sparkman for Senator Lucas, striking out a prohibition against increasing payments in lieu of taxes on housing projects, was defeated 33 yeas to 49 nays. A conference was asked of the House and the following conferees appointed: Senators Ferguson, Reed, Wherry, Saltonstall, McKellar, Overton, and Russell.

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Bills Passed: On call of the Calendar, 60 bills were passed, as follows:

Lands: S. 794, authorizing sale of Indian land in N. C.; **Ft. Sumter:** S. J. Res. 94, to establish Ft. Sumter National Memorial in S. C.;

Mine Safety Code: S. J. Res. 130, establishing a code of health for safety in coal mines;

Photographs: H. R. 2573, to authorize the Geological Survey Director to sell aerial photographs;

AMVETS: H. R. 1888, to incorporate AMVETS;

Constitution: S. J. Res. 134, to observe the 160th anniversary of signing of Constitution;

Lands: S. 1348, to add certain revested Oregon and California lands to Silver Creek recreational demonstration project;

Lands: H. R. 2167, to include within Angostura unit of Missouri Basin project certain lands owned by the United States;

Francis Scott Key: S. J. Res. 84, to restore and preserve Francis Scott Key mansion and to establish such a national memorial;

FSA: S. 1512, to authorize interagency transfers and consolidations of FSA appropriations;

Panama: H. R. 3513, transferring the Panama Railroad pension fund to the civil-service retirement and disability fund;

Soldiers' Home: S. 929, to relieve Inspector General of Army from inspecting Soldiers' Home;

Col. Mitchell: S. J. Res. 70, to commission late Col. Wm. Mitchell as a major general;

Civil War: S. 703, to authorize carrying of Civil War battle streamers with regimental colors;

Easements: H. R. 3252, 3053, and 3056, authorizing easements;

Aviation: H. R. 2314, relating to lump-sum payments to survivors;

Stream Pollution: S. 418, to provide for control of stream pollution;

Utilities: H. R. 3055, to authorize Secs. of War and Navy to sell utilities and related services;

Railroads: H. R. 3744, to authorize contracts for railroad siding in D. C.;

D. C. Appropriation: H. R. 1448, licensing of D. C. buildings used for living quarters;

Air Policy: H. R. 3587, to establish a National Aviation Council (language of S. 1433 was substituted for House version);

Taxes: H. R. 3818, freezing pay-roll taxes at 1 percent for 2 years, etc.;

Unemployment Tax: H. R. 4011, amending Federal unemployment tax, permitting voluntary contributions to be used in computation of reduced rates, if paid within a certain time;

Consumer Credit: S. J. Res. 148, to provide for continuation of Consumer Credit Regulation W for 6 months;

Alien Spouses: H. R. 3149, relating to the admission of alien spouses and minor children of citizen members of armed forces;

Patents: H. R. 3958, to extend time for filing applications for patents and taking action in Patent Office with respect thereto;

Loans: S. 1487, to remove restrictions on Federal agencies' loans for construction of certain public works;

D. C. Unemployment: H. R. 3864, to amend D. C. Unemployment Compensation Act relative to contribution rates after military service;

Alcoholic Permits: S. 1576, to give subpoena power to Sec. of Treas. for conducting hearings relative to alcoholic permits;

Chapel: H. R. 3539, to authorize construction of a chapel at Coast Guard Academy;

Vessels: S. 1132, to amend Shipping Act relative to officer of corporation authorized to execute sale or conveyance of a vessel;

Fisheries: H. R. 3598, granting congressional consent for fisheries compact on Pacific coast; and

Geodetic Survey: H. R. 3247, provide basic authority for use of Coast and Geodetic Survey appropriations.

Private Bills: The following private claims bills were passed: S. 99, H. R. 1162, 2306, 566, 3170, S. 474, 167, 185, 316, H. R. 553, S. 1579, H. R. 1502, 710, 1015, S. 84, 191, H. R. 1393, S. 457, H. R. 436, 1176, 1493, 555, 379, 649, and S. 339.

Of the above House-passed bills, the following were cleared for the White House: H. R. 3247, 3539, 3958, 649, 379, 555, 3149, 1493, 1176, 436, 1393, 1015, 710, 1502, 3744, 3056, 2314, 3053, 3252, 3513, 2167, 3170, 566, 2306, 1162, 1888, and 2573.

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Office Building: Pursuant to P. L. 169, President pro tempore appointed Senators Revercomb, Brooks, Bridges, Green, and Overton as members of a special committee on plans for a new Senate Office Building.

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Nominations: The following nominations were received: David K. E. Bruce, to be Asst. Sec. of Commerce; Hugh H. Earle, Collector of Internal Revenue in Oregon; together with 26 appointments in the Navy.

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Confirmations: The following nominations were confirmed: Willard L. Thorp, to be United States representative on UN Social and Economic Council; Max M. Bulkeley, to be United States attorney in Colorado; T. Vincent Quinn, to be Asst. Attorney General; Alton A. Bassard and Leo P. Flynn, to be United States attorneys in Maine and South Dakota; A. Roy Ashley, to be marshal for the western district of South Carolina; together with 3 appointments as collectors of customs and 227 postmasters.

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Reports on Committee Meetings

AGRICULTURE LEGISLATION AND INVESTIGATION

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Following bills were reported without amendment: H. R. 2511, authorizing Sec. of Agriculture to give quitclaim to 2 acres of land in Maryland; S. 1026, to authorize Sec. of Agriculture to cooperate with Territories, Virgin Islands, and D. C. in administration of regulations for improvement of poultry and poultry products; S. 1505, authorizing Sec. of Agriculture to convey lands in Idaho; and reported, with amendment, S. 1555, providing for the donation of farm labor camps to public or semipublic institutions; and S. Res. 147, authorizing study of agricultural legislation.

D. C. APPROPRIATION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on H. R. 4106, D. C. Appropriation bill, began "marking up" bills. Committee continues tomorrow (July 17).

MISSING PERSONS AND ARMY-NAVY PROMOTIONS

Committee on Armed Services: Approved without amendment H. R. 3191, to extend benefits of the Missing Persons Act to Filipinos.

In closed session, General Eisenhower and Vice Admiral Forrest Sherman testified in support of H. R. 3830, Army-Navy promotion bill. Further hearings will be held.

CIVIL SERVICE RETIREMENT

Committee on Civil Service: Subcommittee concluded hearings on H. R. 3511, permitting persons involuntarily

separated from United States service and having 25 years of service, having attained the age of 55, to receive an annuity. Testimony today was received from Representative Forand, officials of Civil Service Commission, and representatives of Government employee organizations.

FOREIGN INFORMATION AND EXCHANGE

Committee on Foreign Relations: H. R. 3342, United States Information and Educational Exchange Act; S. Con. Res. 16, to create a committee to investigate Government information program; and S. 1574, to furnish materials, supplies, and equipment to public international organizations, were approved. Nominations of Willard L. Thorp, to be United States representative on the UN Social and Economic Council, and Ernest Gross, as State Department legal adviser, also were approved.

TRAVEL RESTRICTIONS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee on S. Res. 111, to remove unnecessary travel restrictions, heard the following witnesses: Maj. Gen. Leslie R. Groves, director, Armed Forces Special Weapons Project; Arthur Geath, WOL; and Walter E. Maloney, National Federation of American Shipping.

AIR CRASHES

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee on Air Safety received report from investigator on the recent LaGuardia Field crash.

AMERICAN PRISONERS OF WAR

Committee on the Judiciary: Following witnesses testified in support of S. 1261, to provide relief for American citizens captured on American territory by Japanese: Senators McGrath, Wiley, and O'Connor; Rev. John F. Hurley, S. J.; Rev. Clifford E. Nobes; Sister Mary Trinita; Mrs. Walter B. Foley, widow of Methodist minister killed by Japanese; Lewis A. McGowan, attorney of N. Y.; Don Bell, war correspondent, and other interested citizens.

ANTI-DISCRIMINATION

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Opposition testimony to S. 984, to prohibit discrimination in employment because of race, religion, or color was received by subcommittee from the following witnesses: Frank Looney, attorney, of Shreveport; Paulson Spence, Spence Engineering Co., Inc., Walden, N. Y.; T. Brady Saunders, Miller Mfg. Co., Richmond; Raymond P. Long, Va. State Planning Engineer; Harry Bengé Crozier, Texas Employment Commission; and Floyd B. Quigg, Wool Industries Weekly. Hearings to be continued.

PETROLEUM

Committee on Public Lands: National Resources Economic Subcommittee concluded hearings on petroleum shortages after receiving testimony from James Terry Duce, vice president, Arabian Oil Co.; Col. J. M. Johnson, director, ODT; and Dr. Wilburn C. Schroeder, Synthetic Liquid Fuels Div. of Interior Dept. Dr. Schroeder stated that we will have within 2 to 4 years a capacity to produce 2,000,000 barrels of oil per day from oil shale.

GRAZING FEES

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee met on S. 1367, regulation of fees for grazing on public lands, on which a report will be made to the full committee.

INVESTIGATIONS APPROVED

Committee on Rules and Administration: In executive session, following resolutions were approved: S. Res. 132, to provide \$50,000 for Banking and Currency Committee to investigate operations of RFC and its subsidiaries; S. Res. 137, to provide \$50,000 for Judiciary Committee to make investigation of immigration system, amended; S. Res. 141, to provide \$25,000 for the Finance Committee to investigate social security system; S. Res. 144, to provide \$25,000 for the D. C. Committee to investigate law enforcement and police administration in the District, amended; and S. Res. 145, to provide \$25,000 ad-

ditional for the Special Committee to Investigate the National Defense Program to continue its investigation.

S. Res. 149, prohibiting chairmen of certain committees from serving as chairmen of other committees, was referred to Subcommittee on Rules for further study.

A committee resolution was adopted transferring the jurisdiction of the Senate restaurants to the Committee on Rules and Administration, effective August 1, 1947, and agreed to enter into an agreement with Canteen Food Services, Inc., for management of the Senate restaurants for one year, effective August 1, 1947.

Committee approved a subcommittee resolution authorizing Subcommittee on Privileges and Elections to make a full and complete investigation into the election fraud and irregularities alleged to have existed in 12 counties in W. Va. It also voted to report S. Res. 142, to provide \$95,000 for Committee on Rules and Administration for investigation of W. Va. Senatorial election contest.

STEEL SUPPLY AND DISTRIBUTION

Special Committee to Study Problems of American Small Business: Subcommittee on Steel, continuing hearings on steel supply and distribution, received testimony from the following witnesses: A. M. Oppenheimer and Howard Kaiser, Apollo Steel Co., Pittsburgh; H. B. McCoy and Robert M. Weidenhammer, Industry Div., Dept. of Commerce; and Earl Graham, Federal Trade Commission. Hearings to be continued.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Sixteen public bills, H. R. 4229-4244; two private bills, H. R. 4245 and 4246; and four resolutions, H. Res. 301 and 302 and H. J. Res. 242 and 243, were introduced. Pages 9050, 9109, 9116

Bills Reported: Bills and reports were reported as follows:

Part II, minority views on H. R. 3980 (H. Rept. 923), enabling debtor railroads to effectuate reorganization, alteration, and modification of their financial structures;

H. R. 2964, conveying a portion of San Antonio Arsenal to University of Texas (H. Rept. 932);

H. R. 3870, authorizing certain expenditures from appropriation of St. Elizabeths Hospital (H. Rept. 933);

H. R. 958, amending Internal Revenue Code relating to certain tax exemptions on toilet preparations (H. Rept. 934);

H. R. 1544, providing gold star lapel buttons for widows and parents of members of the United States armed forces who lost lives in World War II (H. Rept. 935);

H. R. 2993, appointment of certain additional permanent major generals and brigadier generals (H. Rept. 936);

H. R. 3874, authorizing the city of Pierre to transfer Farm Island to the State of South Dakota (H. Rept. 937);

H. R. 3973, relating to compensation of commissioners for the Territory of Alaska (H. Rept. 938);

H. R. 2622, authorizing loans for Indians (H. Rept. 939);

S. 1317, providing for leasing of trusts on restricted lands on Crow Indian Reservation, Mont. (H. Rept. 940);

H. R. 3326, issuing certificates of competency to certain members of the Osage Indian Tribe, Okla. (H. Rept. 941);

H. R. 3538, authorizing Bureau of Reclamation to investigate projects for reclaiming lands by drainage (H. Rept. 942);

H. R. 3696, a private land bill (H. Rept. 943);

H. R. 4059, providing for settlement of certain parts of Alaska by war veterans (H. Rept. 944);

H. R. 739, providing for protection of veterans and career-service employees in connection with reductions in force in the Federal service (H. Rept. 945);

H. R. 1238, authorizing Canadian vessels to service Hyder, Alaska (H. Rept. 946);

H. R. 29, making unlawful the requirement of poll-tax payment as a prerequisite to voting in elections for national offices (H. Rept. 947);

H. R. 2776, constructing toll bridge across Rio Grande, at or near Rio Grande, Tex. (H. Rept. 948);

H. R. 3332, constructing bridge across the St. Lawrence River at or near Ogdensburg, N. Y. (H. Rept. 949);

H. R. 3334, constructing dam on the Susquehanna River by Pennsylvania Power & Light Co. (H. Rept. 950);

H. R. 3738, amending Public Law 88 (79th Cong.) relative to certain payments to nonprocessing slaughterers (H. Rept. 951);

H. R. 4010, International Organizations Procurement Act of 1947 (H. Rept. 952);

H. R. 4084, creating additional positions in professional and scientific service in the War and Navy Departments (H. Rept. 953);

Conference report on H. R. 493, controlling the possession and sale of pistols and other weapons in the District of Columbia (H. Rept. 954);

H. R. 4168, providing for reincorporation of the Institute of Inter-American Affairs (H. Rept. 955);

H. J. Res. 231, providing for United States membership in the Caribbean Commission (H. Rept. 956);

H. J. Res. 232, providing for United States membership in the South Pacific Commission (H. Rept. 957);

S. 364, expediting disposition of Government surplus airports, airport facilities, and equipment (H. Rept. 958);

S. 1515, making surplus property available for alleviation of damage caused by flood or other catastrophe (H. Rept. 959);

H. R. 3739, authorizing acquisition of site in Clarksburg, W. Va., for a facility by the Veterans' Administration (H. Rept. 960);

H. R. 4214, National Security Act of 1947 (H. Rept. 961). Pages 9109, 9115-9116

Flood Control: Presidential message on flood control (H. Doc. 404) was received and referred to the Committee on Public Works. Pages 9095-9097

Investigations: Passed H. Res. 211, authorizing the Committee on Public Works to conduct surveys of certain works of improvement. Page 9097

Social Security: Passed H. R. 3997, excluding from the Social Security Act and related provisions of the Internal Revenue Code certain vendors of newspapers or magazines. Pages 9058-9059

Science Foundation: Passed S. 526, as amended, creating an independent Government agency to be known as the National Science Foundation. Purpose is to develop a national policy for the promotion of fundamental research and education in the sciences, through grants of scholarships and graduate fellowships and the interchange of scientific information among the United States and foreign countries. Pages 9060-9094

Oath of Office: Pursuant to H. Res. 301 and 302, Representative Madden administered the oath of office to Louis Ludlow, Representative-elect from the 11th District of Indiana, who, because of sickness, was unable to appear for formal oath administration. Pages 9050, 9109

Military Appropriations: Disagreed to Senate amendments on H. R. 3678, military appropriation bill for 1948, agreed to the conference asked, and Representatives Engel of Michigan, Case of South Dakota, Tibbott, Scrivner, Kerr, Mahon, and Norrell were appointed conferees on the part of the House. Page 9049

Independent Offices Appropriation: Disagreed to Senate amendments on H. R. 3839, independent offices appropriation bill for 1948, agreed to the conference asked, and Representatives Wigglesworth, Phillips of California, Robertson, Coudert, Hendricks, Andrews of Alabama, and Thomas of Texas were appointed conferees on the part of the House. Page 9049

Emergency Appropriations: Agreed to Senate amendments to H. J. Res. 240, making temporary appropriations for fiscal 1948, completing all legislative action. Page 9095

War Claims: Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce was granted permission to file, by midnight, July 16, a report on H. R. 4043, changing payment priority out of German special deposit account.

H. R. 4213, an identical bill, was re-referred to this committee from the Committee on Ways and Means. Pages 9049, 9109

"Unification" Bill: Special order, granting 5 hours' general debate on H. R. 4214, National Security Act of 1947, was received for Friday, July 18. Page 9050

Organization Commission: Pursuant to Public Law 162 (H. R. 775), the Speaker appointed Messrs. Brown of Ohio and Manasco, of Alabama, Members of the House, and Hon. Herbert C. Hoover and Hon. James Rowe, Jr., citizen members, to the Commission on Organization of the Executive Branch of the Government. Page 9100

Tort Actions: Considered, but did not complete, H. R. 1639, a bill amending the Employers' Liability Act to establish venue in tort actions brought in Federal or State courts against interstate common carriers by railroad. Pages 9097-9109

Reports on Committee Meetings

UNIVERSAL MILITARY TRAINING

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Education and Training continued hearings on Universal Military Training, and heard A. Allen Bates, vice president, Portland Cement Association, who testified in opposition; and Omar Ketchum, VFW, who testified in favor of universal military training. Hearings will be continued.

Subcommittee on Organization and Mobilization met on H. R. 3947, strategic stock piles.

SUBSIDIZED HOUSING—BANK HOLDING COMPANIES

Committee on Banking and Currency: Held hearings on S. 1361, subsidized housing program, and heard Raymond M. Foley, Administrator, National Housing Agency, who testified that he had no objection to the bill.

Also held hearings on H. R. 3351, bank holding company bill, and heard Marriner C. Eccles, Chairman, Federal Reserve Board, who testified in favor of the bill and urged its passage. He indicated that regulation of bank holding companies is necessary so that their operations will be in accordance with established banking principles and public policy. Hearings will be continued.

D. C. HOME RULE

Committee on the District of Columbia: Subcommittee on Home Rule and Reorganization continued hearings on home rule for the District of Columbia, and heard Dr. Laurence F. Schmeckebier on his recommendations for the type of local government for the District; Irwin W. Silverman, on the organization of government in the territories and island possessions; and Maj. Gen. U. S. Grant, on his recommendations for the type of local government for the District. Hearings will be continued.

SURPLUS PROPERTY—WAR DEPARTMENT

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Full committee met and ordered favorably reported to the House the following bills: S. 364, expediting the disposition of Government surplus airports, airport facilities, and equipment; S. 1515, making certain surplus property available for the alleviation of damage from flood or other catastrophe; and H. Con. Res. 57, providing that no final action be taken by WAA leading to disposition of property in Palm Springs, Calif., until the Subcommittee of the Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments has reviewed the case and made a report thereon.

Subcommittee on Publicity and Propaganda held hearings on complaints received by the committee to the effect that the War Department was using public funds in promoting legislation for universal military training, and heard Lt. Gen. Joseph Lawton Collins; Mrs.

Arthur Woods, consultant to Secretary of War on universal military training; and John Swomley.

FOREIGN AFFAIRS BILLS

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Met in executive session and ordered favorably reported to the House the following bills: H. J. Res. 161, World Health Organization; H. R. 4168, providing for the reincorporation of the Institute of Inter-American Affairs; H. R. 4010, International Organizations Procurement Act; H. J. Res. 231, providing for United States participation in the Caribbean Commission; H. J. Res. 232, providing for United States participation in the South Pacific Commission; H. R. 2776, to extend the times for commencing and completing the construction of a toll bridge across the Rio Grande, at or near Rio Grande City, Tex.; and H. R. 3332, creating the St. Lawrence Bridge Commission, and authorizing said commission to construct, maintain, and operate a bridge across the St. Lawrence River at or near Ogdensburg, N. Y.

ANTI-POLL TAX

Committee on House Administration: Met in executive session and ordered favorably reported H. R. 29, making it unlawful for any individual, State, municipality, or other governmental subdivision to require payment of a poll tax as a prerequisite for voting at a Federal election.

HEALTH—ALASKAN AIRPORTS—WAR CLAIMS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Full committee met in executive session and ordered favorably reported, as amended, H. R. 4043, German special deposit account. Also considered Alaskan airport bills, H. R. 3509 and H. R. 3510, and heard Gen. Carl Spaatz in executive session.

Dolliver subcommittee held hearings on H. R. 1980, health of school children, and heard the following witnesses in favor of the bill: Representative Howell; Senator Saltonstall; Dr. Vlado A. Getting, secretary-treasurer, Association of State and Territorial Health Officers, Boston, Mass.; Maj. Gen. Lewis B. Hershey, Director, Selective Service System; Dr. Reginald M. Atwater, executive secretary, American Public Health Association, New York City; Hon. Maurice Collins, Acting Administrator, Federal Security Agency; Katharine F. Lenroot, Chief, United States Children's Bureau, FSA, Washington, D. C.; Mrs. Richard J. Bernhard, vice chairman, board of trustees, National Child Labor Committee, New York City; George J. Hecht, publisher, Parents' Magazine, and chairman, National Committee for School Health Service, New York City; Lawrence L. Gourley, legal counsel, American Osteopathic Association, Washington, D. C.; and Dr. Joseph M. Babcock, of MacCracken & O'Rourke, Washington, D. C.

Full committee held hearings on H. R. 3509 and H. R. 3510, Alaskan airports, and heard Robert B. Atwood, Anchorage, Alaska; Fred W. Axford, president, Cham-

ber of Commerce, Anchorage, Alaska; A. H. Nordale, mayor, Fairbanks, Alaska; Walter Plett, Regional Administrator for Alaska, CAA; George Burgess, Deputy Administrator, CAA; John Sherman, executive secretary, Stuart G. Tipton, general counsel, Air Transport Association, Washington, D. C.; Lewis Goodkind, Assistant Director, Economics Bureau, Civil Aeronautics Board; H. R. Lee, Division of Territories, Department of the Interior; and Delegate Bartlett.

DISPLACED PERSONS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Immigration and Nationalization continued hearings on H. R. 2910, to provide for admission into the United States of certain displaced persons in Germany, Austria, and Italy, and heard Secretary of State Marshall and Secretary of War Patterson, both of whom testified in favor of the bill.

OIL—OCEAN STATIONS—WILDLIFE

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Full committee met in open hearings to consider the oil situation, and heard William Ohle, Sinclair Refining Co.; G. W. Schumwell, Atlas Oil & Refining Co.; John W. DeGroot, Tuscarora Oil Co., Ltd.; J. L. Seger, Interstate Oil Pipe Line Co. and Ajax Pipe Line Corp.; J. W. Emission, Texas Pipe Line Co., Texas-New Mexico Pipe Line Co., Texas Empire Pipe Line Co., and Kaw Pipe Line Co.; C. K. Skidmore, Socony Vacuum Oil Co.; and Frank W. Mann, Continental Oil Co. and Continental Pipe Line Co. and Rocky Mountain Pipe Line Co.

Subcommittee on Coast Guard, Coast and Geodetic Survey and Public Health Service met in executive session to consider H. R. 3132, authorizing the Coast Guard to operate and maintain ocean stations; and H. R. 1674, discharge certificates for temporary members of the Coast Guard Reserve.

Full committee met in executive session and ordered favorably reported to the House the following bills: H. R. 1238, authorizing Canadian vessels to service Hyder, Alaska; S. 616, authorizing game refuge in Francis Marion National Forest; and H. R. 4018, authorizing transfer of certain real property for wildlife.

EVERGLADES—INDIANS

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Public Lands held hearings on H. R. 3378, completion of Everglades National Park, Fla., and heard Representative Hoeven; D. A. McDougal, Coral Gables, both of whom testified in opposition to the bill; and LeRoy Collins, State Senator from Tallahassee, Fla., who testified in favor of the bill. Hearings will be continued.

Full committee met and ordered favorably reported to the House the following bills: H. R. 2622, loans to Indians; H. R. 3538, to reclaim lands by drainage; H. R. 3874, transfer of lands from Pierre, S. Dak., to the State of South Dakota (Farm Island); H. R. 3973, to change

the compensation of commissioners of Alaska; and S. 1317, to permit Crow Indian Tribe to manage own lands.

ST. LAWRENCE SEAWAY

Committee on Public Works: Continued hearings on H. J. Res. 192, St. Lawrence Seaway, and heard Gen. Francis B. Wilby, chairman, New York Power Commission, who testified in favor of the bill. Hearings will be continued.

VETERANS' FARM LOANS

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Held hearings on H. R. 3423 and H. R. 250, pertaining to loans to veterans for the purchase of farms, and heard Representative Cunningham, sponsor of H. R. 3423; Representative Murray, who testified in support of H. R. 3423; Harry Hayden and Charles Stevens, American Legion, who testified in support of H. R. 250; F. W. Kelsey, Assistant Administrator for Finance, Veterans' Administration; John I. Scott, assistant director of legislation, VFW; and Clarence G. Adamy, national service director, AMVETS, all of whom testified on both bills. Hearings will be continued.

Committee ordered favorably reported H. R. 3739, to authorize the acquisition by the Veterans' Administration of certain land in Harrison County, W. Va., as a site for the proposed Veterans' Administration Facility at Clarksburg, W. Va.

TAX REVISION

Committee on Ways and Means: Continued hearings on tax revisions and heard James F. Stiles, Jr., vice president, Abbott Laboratories, representing National Association of State chambers of commerce, who testified on income, estate, and gift taxes; Harry Silverman, of J. K. Lasser & Co., New York, N. Y., who testified on earned income; W. A. Sutherland, representing the American Bar Association, Washington, D. C., who testified on the Virginia Hotel case; Thomas N. Tarleau, of Willkie, Owen, Otis, Farr & Gallagher, New York, N. Y., who testified on individual income tax; and Victor R. Wolder, attorney, New York City, who testified on inequities under the Internal Revenue Code. Hearings will be continued.

REPORT ON JOINT COMMITTEE MEETINGS

ECONOMIC CONDITIONS

Joint Committee on the Economic Report: Leon Henderson, accompanied by Paul A. Porter, Robert R. Nathan, and Richard V. Gilbert, presented the program for Americans for Democratic Action for immediate adoption to assure economic stabilization and full employment. Larry Martin, Denver Post, discussed relations of regional development to the general economic welfare. Hearings to be continued.

INTERIOR APPROPRIATION

Conferees on H. R. 3123, Interior Department appropriation bill held sixth meeting, but failed to reach agreement.

AGRICULTURE APPROPRIATION

Conferees on H. R. 3601, Agriculture Department appropriation bill, held first meeting, but failed to reach agreement.

BILLS SIGNED BY THE PRESIDENT

(*New Laws*)

(For last listing of Public Laws, see p. D383)

H. R. 3647, extension of the Second War Powers and Export Control Acts. Signed July 15, 1947 (P. L. 188);

H. R. 3861, to allow newly chartered railroads, formerly in bankruptcy, benefits of their predecessor's tax carry-overs. Signed July 15, 1947 (P. L. 189);

S. 1420, to authorize Hawaii to issue certain public-improvement bonds. Signed July 15, 1947 (P. L. 190);

S. 1421, to provide for the appointment of one additional Asst. Sec. of Commerce. Signed July 15, 1947 (P. L. 191);

S. 640, to authorize the Sec. of Commerce to sell certain Weather Bureau property in Mich. Signed July 16, 1947 (P. L. 192);

S. 816, to amend the Communications Act with respect to Government rates. Signed July 16, 1947 (P. L. 193);

H. J. Res. 170, to erect a D. C. statue to Andrew Mellon. Signed July 16, 1947 (P. L. 194); and

H. R. 3737, D. C. tax bill. Signed July 16, 1947 (P. L. 195).

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HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed 51 bills on call of calendar, and debated motion to consider Missouri election investigation.

House passed emergency-powers termination resolution and railway venue measure.

Bills on GI loans, sugar, veterans, farm training, library service, and investigation of prices and housing approved by Senate groups.

Inter-American military cooperation bill ordered reported to House.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 9116-9123.

Bills Introduced: Six bills and three resolutions were introduced as follows: S. 1648-S. 1653; S. J. Res. 149; S. Con. Res. 26; and S. Res. 152.

Pages 9117-9118, 9146, 9159

Bills Reported: Bills and resolutions were reported as follows:

S. Res. 142, to provide \$95,000 for Committee on Rules and Administration for investigation of W. Va. senatorial election contest (no written report);

S. 1582, relating to sale of Paxon Field, Fla. (S. Rept. 574);

H. R. 3444, to provide relief for prisoners of war captured by Japanese and removed from a United States possession (S. Rept. 575);

S. 1429, to enable RFC to grant subsidy payments for period from April 1, 1944, to July 23, 1945, to certain slaughterers (S. Rept. 576);

S. Con. Res. 25, to create a joint committee to investigate housing (S. Rept. 577);

H. R. 4075, Sugar Act of 1948, establishing sugar quotas for 5 years (S. Rept. 578).

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Bill Referred: The following House-passed bill was referred to committee indicated: H. R. 3997 (Committee on Finance). (For passage in House, see Digest, p. D389.)

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Missouri Building: Veto message on S. 1231, authorizing Public Buildings Commissioner to determine fair market value of building in Kansas City, Mo., was received and referred to Committee on Public Works.

Pages 9120-9121

Literary Works: Convention on the Rights of Authors in Literary, Scientific, and Artistic Works (Executive HH) was received and referred to Committee on Foreign Relations.

Pages 9121-9123

Bills Passed: On call of the Calendar, 51 bills were passed, as follows:

Coast Guard: H. R. 3494, to establish permanent commissioned Coast Guard personnel strength;

Merchant Marine: H. R. 3672, to create an academic advisory board for Merchant Marine Academy;

Utah: S. 421, 50-cent coin pieces in commemoration of 100th anniversary of entrance of Utah pioneers in Salt Lake Valley;

Claim: S. 1039, private claim;

Judicial Secretaries: H. R. 2746, to provide secretaries for circuit and district judges;

Marine Casualties: S. 1077, to authorize Coast Guard commissioned officers to preside at investigations of marine casualties;

UN Site: S. J. Res. 144, to authorize President to approve UN site agreement;

Indian Bills: H. R. 205, 734, 981, 1337, 3173, 1882, 2097, 2484, and 2825;

Oil: H. R. 3323, relative to determination of bonus value of oil, gas, and mining leases on Osage mineral reservation;

Patrick Henry: S. 318, 50-cent coin pieces to commemorate patriotic service of Patrick Henry;

Alaska—Governor: H. R. 175, to give Governor of Alaska power to pardon and to remit fines and forfeitures;

Alaska: H. R. 187, to amend law to include air transportation for Federal employees residing in Alaska;

Alaska: H. R. 1609, to provide zoning in town sites on public lands in Alaska;

Alaska: H. R. 3343, to provide compensation for Alaska Game Commission for investigations and hearings;

Alaska: H. R. 1554, to facilitate work of Alaska Road Commission by aiding it in obtaining rights-of-way;

Records: H. R. 2938, fixing price for copies of records furnished by Dept. of Interior;

Mail: H. R. 2857, to extend 2nd-class mailing privilege to State conservation bulletins;

Postmasters: H. R. 1203, to provide compensation for persons performing duties of postmasters;

Disbursing Officers: S. 323, to provide relief for Army-Navy disbursing officers;

Pullmans: H. R. 2331, to amend ICC Act to include sleeping-car companies in definition of "carriers," relating to issuance of securities;

UN Convention: S. J. Res. 136, authorizing the President to accept UN Convention on Privileges and Immunities;

Eminent-Domain: H. R. 2956, amending Natural Gas Act of 1938, relating to eminent domain by natural-gas companies for rights-of-way for pipe lines;

Blind: S. 1324, to extend civil-service retirement to employees of National Library for the Blind;

Deaf: S. 995, to extend civil-service retirement to employees of Columbia Institution for the Deaf;

D. C. Rent: H. R. 3131, to extend for 1 year D. C. Rent Control Act (passed with amendment and appointed conferees: Senators Buck, Ball, and McGrath);

Cottonseed: S. 1497, to provide periodical censuses of oils and fats;

Wisconsin: H. R. 1180, 50-cent coin pieces in commemoration of 100th anniversary of admission of Wisconsin into Union;

Transfer of Land: H. R. 2225, to transfer land in Texas;

Dredges: S. 885, to provide that certain United States dredging equipment be documented under United States laws;

Lands: The following bills granting patent in fee and making other disposition of public lands were approved: S. 312, 313, 499, 542, 500, H. R. 1486, 2151, 2885, 2886, S. 310, 311, 1150, 1368, and 1220.

Of the above House-passed bills the following were cleared for the President: H. R. 2331, 1203, 1554, 3343, 1609, 187, 175, 3323, 2886, 2885, 2484, 2151, 2097, 1882, 1486, 1337, 734, 205, 2746, 3672, 3494, and 1180.

Pages 9124-9126

Missouri Election: Motion to consider S. Res. 150, to discharge Judiciary Committee from further consideration of S. Res. 116, to investigate Missouri election, was debated.

Pages 9137-9145, 9157-9159, 9167

Nominations: The following nominations were received: H. Freeman Matthews, to be Minister to Sweden, and 67 postmasters.

Pages 9171-9172

Science Foundation: House amendments to S. 526, National Science Foundation Act, were disagreed to and the following conferees appointed: Senators Taft, Smith, Aiken, Thomas of Utah, and Ellender.

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Reports on Committee Meetings

WAR DEPARTMENT, CIVIL

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee began "marking up" H. R. 4002, War Department civil functions appropriations.

D. C. APPROPRIATION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee completed "marking up" H. R. 4106, D. C. appropriations bill.

ARMY-NAVY PROMOTION

Committee on Armed Services: Held executive session on H. R. 3830, Army-Navy promotion bill, but made

no announcement of action taken. Committee continues tomorrow (July 18).

GI LOANS, HOUSING, AND CONSUMER GOODS

Committee on Banking and Currency: In executive session, committee approved, without amendment, S. 1543, to restore to RFC Act certain provisions concerning GI loans; and with amendment: S. Con. Res. 19, to establish the joint committee to investigate prices of consumer goods; and S. Con. Res. 25, to create a joint committee to investigate the entire housing field.

WAR DEPARTMENT PERSONNEL

Committee on Civil Service: Subcommittee met on downgrading in War Department with particular emphasis on the Army Center at St. Louis. Testifying were witnesses from the finance office of United States Army Center at St. Louis, including Major Newbury; George Brewer, Administrative Assistant to Secretary of War; Civil Service Commissioner Flemming, accompanied by Ismar Baruch, J. H. Weiss, and John Overholt, all of Civil Service Commission; and Admiral P. B. Nibecker.

PAXON FIELD AND GAO REPORTS

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Reported, without amendment, S. 1582, relating to sale of Paxon Field, Florida; and discussed various audit reports by the Comptroller General which have been referred to the committee. It agreed that chairman would file reports on the audits which do not require additional legislation.

SUGAR AND PRISONERS OF WAR

Committee on Finance: Following bills were approved: H. R. 3444, to provide relief for prisoners of war captured by Japanese and removed from a United States possession; and H. R. 4075, Sugar Act of 1948, establishing sugar quotas for 5 years, with amendments relative to fair wage scale and employment of minors (to carry out intent of S. 1584).

FPC NOMINATION, NATURAL GAS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Ordered hearings on July 19, on nomination of Burton N. Behling, to be FPC commissioner. Considered H. R. 4051, Natural Gas Act amendments, but took no action. Received report from subcommittee on recent air crashes.

SOLICITOR GENERAL

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee considering the nomination of Philip B. Perlman, to be United States Solicitor General, met with Mr. Perlman, Paul Ahlstrom, Russell Griffin, and Charles Ruzicka to receive further information.

SEC INVESTIGATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Pursuant to S. Res. 35 of the 79th Congress, and S. Res. 90 of the 80th Congress, relative to investigation of SEC, subcommittee met briefly and recorded the witnesses present, requesting their return for further study tomorrow (July 18).

MOTOR CARRIER CLAIMS

Committee on the Judiciary: R. G. May and Lou Hosking, both of Midwest Truck Operators, testified in support of S. 1260, settlement of motor carrier claims. Hearings to be continued.

NOMINATIONS, VETERANS, LIBRARY SERVICE, RAILROAD RETIREMENT, AND FARM TRAINING

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Reported favorably the reappointment of William J. Kennedy, Ohio, to be a member of the Railroad Retirement Board, and 26 routine nominations and promotions in Public Health Service.

The following bills were also approved: S. 48, to provide \$25,000 a year for each of 4 years by the Federal Government to States for the demonstration of Public Library Service with provision for additional sums to meet expanded plans by States; H. R. 2181, relating to institutional on-farm training for veterans, with amendment; S. 1236, to increase monthly subsistence for vocational rehabilitation to veterans in service-connected cases, to \$115 without dependents, \$145 with a dependent, plus \$20 for one child and \$15 for each additional, and \$25 for a dependent parent, with amendment; and S. 1369, relative to veterans' hospital at Clarksburg, W. Va., with amendment.

Committee postponed further action for the remainder of this session on S. 670, railroad retirement bill.

ANTIDISCRIMINATION

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Further opposition testimony to S. 984, to prohibit discrimination in employment because of race, religion, or color, was received by the subcommittee from the following witnesses: Gov. Fielding Wright, Mississippi; Representative Rankin; and Dr. R. H. Hutchison, Tennessee Commissioner of Health. Hearings to be continued.

STEEL EXPORTS

Special Committee to Study Problems of American Small Business: Subcommittee on Steel heard the following witnesses discuss steel exports: Homer Zopf, Tyler Wood, accompanied by Carl Anderson, both of the State Department, and Under Secretary of Commerce William C. Foster, accompanied by Francis E. McIntyre and John Garrett, Office of International Trade, Dept. of Commerce.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Thirteen public bills, H. R. 4247-4259; eight private bills, H. R. 4260-4267; and forty-two resolutions, H. Res. 303-313, H. J. Res. 244, and H. Con. Res. 75-104, were introduced.

Pages 9195, 9236-9237

Bills Reported: Bills and resolutions were reported as follows:

Part II, supplemental report (H. Rept. 734), to H. R. 2239, amending Surplus Property Act of 1944, authorizing sale or lease to State governments of surplus property for use in training civilian components of the Army.

Six private claims bills H. R. 625, 1131, 1155, 1645, 2891, and 3754 (H. Repts. 962-967, incl.);

H. J. Res. 238, permitting free entry of standard newsprint paper (H. Rept. 968);

H. R. 3613, relating to the stamp and document taxes on issues of capital stock and bonds, respectively (H. Rept. 969);

H. Res. 305, rule granting 1 hour debate on H. R. 3999, authorizing the Attorney General to adjudicate certain claims resulting from evacuation of certain persons of Japanese ancestry under military orders (H. Rept. 970);

H. R. 3227, providing for inactive-duty training pay for Organized Reserve Corps (H. Rept. 971);

H. R. 4018, authorizing transfer of real property for wildlife conservation (H. Rept. 972);

H. R. 4043, changing payment priority out of German special deposit account (H. Rept. 973);

H. R. 4068, authorizing the Federal Works Administrator to construct a GAO building (H. Rept. 974);

Conference report on H. R. 3601, Agriculture Department appropriation bill for 1948 (H. Rept. 975);

H. R. 4044, creating a commission to make inquiry and report with respect to war claims and to provide for relief of internees in certain cases (H. Rept. 976);

H. R. 4143, providing for expansion of the R. O. T. C. program (H. Rept. 977);

H. R. 4229, authorizing documentation of the Canadian built dredge *Ajax* (H. Rept. 978);

H. J. Res. 161, providing for United States membership in the World Health Organization (H. Rept. 979);

S. 616, authorizing creation of game refuge in Francis Marion National Forest, S. C. (H. Rept. 980);

S. 706, H. R. 648, H. R. 1916, and H. R. 3243, private claims bills (H. Repts. 981-984, incl.);

S. 1180, issuing special series of commemorative stamps honoring Gold Star Mothers (H. Rept. 985);

S. 682, regulating interstate transportation of black bass and other game fish (H. Rept. 986);

H. R. 4169, permitting authority for temporary emergency service of air carriers (H. Rept. 987);

H. R. 3510, constructing and maintaining a public airport in Alaska (H. Rept. 988); and

H. R. 3509, constructing airport and highway thereto in Fairbanks, Alaska (H. Rept. 989).

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Public Health: Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce was granted permission to file by midnight, July 17, a report on H. R. 3924, amending Public Health Service Act, relating to personnel and administration.

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Science Foundation: Disagreed to Senate amendments on S. 526, National Science Foundation bill, agreed to the conference asked, and Representatives Wolverton, Hinshaw, Howell, Priest, and Harris were appointed conferees on the part of the House.

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Pay-roll Taxes: Disagreed to the Senate amendments on H. R. 3818, amending Federal Insurance Contributions Act, freezing pay-roll taxes, agreed to the conference asked, and Representatives Reed, Kean, Mason, Dingell, and Mills were appointed conferees on the part of the House.

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Government Corporations: Disagreed to the Senate amendments on H. R. 3756, Government corporations appropriations for 1948, agreed to the conference asked, and Representatives Ploeser, Jensen, Schwabe of Oklahoma, Coudert, Mahon, Gore, and Whitten were appointed conferees on the part of the House.

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Aviation Council: Disagreed to Senate amendments on H. R. 3587, to establish a National Aviation Council, agreed to the conference asked, and Representatives Wolverton, Hinshaw, Howell, Bulwinkle, and Priest were appointed conferees on the part of the House.

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Tort Actions: Passed, by a vote of 203 yeas to 188 nays, H. R. 1639, a bill amending the Employers' Liability Act to establish venue in tort actions brought in Federal or State courts against interstate common carriers by railroad.

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Presidential Signature: House agreed to Senate amendments on the following bills, thereby completing legislative action:

D. C. Unemployment: H. R. 3864, to amend D. C. Unemployment Compensation Act relative to contribution rates after military service.

Fisheries: H. R. 3598, granting congressional consent for fisheries compact on Pacific coast.

Building Licenses: H. R. 1448, licensing of D. C. buildings used for living quarters. Pages 9194-9195, 9199

Labor-Management Relations: The Speaker appointed Messrs. Hartley, Landis, Hoffman, McCowen, Lesinski, Barden, and Kelley, as members of the Joint Committee on Labor-Management Relations. Page 9194

Emergency Powers: S. J. Res. 123, declaring in the interpretation of various emergency laws and proclamations that they shall be construed as terminated and peace established, was passed by voice vote after adopting committee amendments. Pages 9195-9199

Bills Referred: The following Senate-passed bills were referred to the committees indicated:

- S. 474, 703, and 929, and S. J. Res. 70 (Armed Services);
 - S. J. Res. 148 (Banking and Currency);
 - S. J. Res. 130 (Education and Labor);
 - S. 1512 (Expenditures in Executive Departments);
 - S. 84, 99, 167, 185, 191, 316, 339, 457, 1579, and S. J. Res. 134 (Judiciary);
 - S. 1132 (Merchant Marine and Fisheries);
 - S. 794 and S. J. Res. 84 and 94 (Public Lands);
 - S. 413 and S. 1487 (Public Works);
 - S. 1576 (Ways and Means).
- (For passage in Senate, see Digest, p. D386.)

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Veterans' Facility: Passed H. R. 3739, authorizing acquisition of a site in Clarksburg, W. Va., by the Veterans' Administration, to build a facility. Page 9219

Bill Re-referred: H. R. 4042, controlling export of United States gasoline and petroleum products to foreign countries, was re-referred from the Committee on Armed Services, discharged, to the Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries. Page 9205

Mineral Resources: Adopted H. Res. 268, special rule granting debate on H. R. 1602, creating a National Mineral Resources Division within the Department of Interior. Considered but did not complete this bill. Pages 9200-9219

Reports on Committee Meetings

FARM PROGRAM

Committee on Agriculture: Resumed hearings on long-range farm program and heard Kermit Eby, director, Department of Research and Education, CIO. Hearings will be continued.

UNIVERSAL MILITARY TRAINING

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Education and Training continued hearings on universal

military training, and heard Army and Navy representatives who testified on behalf of the measure.

Procurement Subcommittee met and considered Army, Navy, Marine Supply Depots. Hearings will be continued.

BANK HOLDING COMPANIES

Committee on Banking and Currency: Continued hearings on H. R. 3351, providing for the regulation of bank holding companies and heard the concluding testimony of Marriner S. Eccles, Chairman, Federal Reserve Board; Ben DuBois, president, Indiana Bankers Association; and Robert S. Beasley, vice president, Beverly Hills National Bank & Trust Co., Beverly Hills, Calif. Hearings will be continued.

D. C. HOME RULE

Committee on the District of Columbia: Subcommittee on Home Rule and Reorganization continued hearings on home rule for the District of Columbia, and heard George M. Fay, United States Attorney; and Vernon West, Corporation Counsel, both of whom testified on present division of responsibility between the District and the Federal Government in the prosecution of cases.

Also held hearings on fiscal control and organization, and heard Walter L. Fowler, District Budget Officer; Arthur R. Pilkerton, District Auditor; Guy W. Pearson, Collector of Taxes; and Edward A. Dent, Assessor, all of whom discussed whether the District should handle its own fiscal affairs; and Roland M. Brennan, D. C. Purchasing Officer, on methods used in making purchases for the District. Hearings will be continued.

STATE DEPARTMENT

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Subcommittee on State Department Organization and Personnel heard further testimony of John E. Peurifoy, Assistant Secretary of State for Administration, on the administration of the State Department and plans for improving the organization and operation of the Department.

INTER-AMERICAN MILITARY COOPERATION

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Met in executive session on H. R. 3836, Inter-American Military Cooperation Act, and ordered the bill favorably reported to the House. The report is expected to be filed July 18 or 19.

Subcommittee on National and International Movements met in executive session.

ITALIAN PROPERTY—ALASKA AIRPORT—PUBLIC HEALTH—AIR CARRIERS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Held hearings on S. J. Res. 138, Italian property, and heard Representative Lodge; and Willard L. Thorp, Assistant Secretary of State.

Full committee met in executive session and ordered favorably reported the following bills: S. 682, transporta-

tion of black bass (as amended); H. R. 3509, Alaska airport, as amended; H. R. 3510, Alaska airport; H. R. 3924, Public Health Service, as amended; and H. R. 4169, temporary emergency service of air carriers, as amended.

PRIVATE BILLS

Committee on the Judiciary: Met in executive session and agreed to report favorably to the House three private immigration bills and six private claims bills.

DREDGING DOCUMENTATION

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Met in executive session and ordered favorably reported to the House H. R. 4229, providing that the Canadian built dredge *Ajax* and certain other dredging equipment owned by a United States corporation be documented under the laws of the United States.

RURAL CARRIERS—GOLD STAR MOTHERS—FARM LOAN ASSOCIATIONS

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Met and ordered favorably reported to the House the following bills: H. R. 1186, with amendments, providing that for one year rural carriers shall receive an additional equipment maintenance of one cent for each mile traveled; H. R. 1189, prescribing methods of advancement for rural mail carriers; and S. 1180, authorizing 3-cent stamp in honor of Gold Star Mothers.

Held hearings on H. R. 1592 and H. R. 3512, making provisions of the Civil Service Retirement Act applicable to officers and employees of national farm-loan associations, and heard Representatives Lemke and MacKinnon; J. R. Isleib, Federal Land Bank Commissioner; Albert S. Goss, National Grange; P. W. Lundy, chairman of retirement committees of National Farm Land Associations in the United States; and L. O. Jacob, chairman of retirement committee for Seventh Federal Land Bank District, St. Paul, Minn.

EVERGLADES

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Public Lands continued hearings on H. R. 3378, relating to the completion of the Everglades National Park, Fla., and heard Mrs. Effie Knowles and Ivar Axelsson, both of whom testified in opposition to the bill. Hearings will continue July 22.

ST. LAWRENCE SEAWAY—GAO BUILDING

Committee on Public Works: Continued hearings on H. J. Res. 192, St. Lawrence Seaway, and heard Walter Olen, president, Four-Wheel Drive Auto Co., Clintonville, Wis.; Harry C. Brockel, Municipal Port Director, Milwaukee, Wis.; and Chas. A. McHenry, Cape Vincent, N. Y., chairman, seaway committee of the Northern Federation of Chambers of Commerce of New York. Hearings will be continued.

Met in executive session, reconsidered, amended, and ordered favorably reported to the House as amended H. R. 4068, construction of a building for the General Accounting Office. Resolution for review of survey reports on Pascagoula Harbor and Horn Island Pass, Miss., was adopted.

MEMBER PARTICIPATION—FOREIGN AID—RR REORGANIZATION—EVACUATION CLAIMS

Committee on Rules: Heard Representative Herter, who favored H. Res. 295, authorizing the Committee on Foreign Affairs to conduct studies and investigations of all matters coming within the jurisdiction of that committee and providing for participation by members of other standing committees of the House of Representatives. Hearings will be continued.

Heard Chairman Wolverton and Representative Harris, of the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce, who favored H. Res. 296, to create a Select Committee on Foreign Aid. Hearings will be continued.

Heard Representatives Reed of Illinois and Hobbs, of the Committee on the Judiciary, who favored a resolution providing consideration of H. R. 3980, a bill to enable debtor railroad corporations expeditiously to effectuate reorganizations of their financial structures; to alter or modify their financial securities; and for other purposes. Hearings will be continued.

Heard Representatives Goodwin and Walter, of the Committee on the Judiciary, who favored a resolution providing consideration of H. R. 3999, a bill to authorize the Attorney General to adjudicate certain claims resulting from evacuation of certain persons of Japanese ancestry under military orders. A resolution providing 1 hour of general debate was ordered reported.

VETERANS' PENSIONS AND CLAIMS

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Subcommittee on Compensation and Pensions met in executive session and ordered favorably reported to the full committee, as amended, H. R. 4242, to amend income limitation governing the granting of pensions to veterans and death compensation benefits to widows and children of veterans; and H. R. 4243, to provide minimum ratings for service-connected arrested tuberculosis.

Subcommittee on Administration and Finance in the Veterans' Administration held hearings on H. R. 1715, providing that the Jewish War Veterans of the United States shall be recognized by the Administrator of Veterans' Affairs in the presentation of claims; and H. R. 3546, permitting recognition of retired officers and enlisted men as representatives of veterans' organizations in the presentation of claims to the Veterans' Administration; and heard Representative Scott, sponsor of H. R. 1715; Guy H. Birdsall, Assistant Administrator for Legislation, Veterans' Administration; Charles Stevens

and Harry V. Hayden, the American Legion, who testified on both bills; William E. Tate, DAV; Robert McLaughlin, AMVETS; John Scott, VFW; and William M. Floyd, Regular Veterans' Association, all of whom testified on both bills.

Subcommittee ordered H. R. 3546 favorably reported to the full committee.

TAX REVISION

Committee on Ways and Means: Continued hearings on tax revisions and heard W. A. Sutherland, representing the American Bar Association, Washington, D. C.; James C. Peacock of William, Myers & Quiggle, Washington, D. C.; J. J. Giltinan, New York, N. Y.; Hon. C. M. A. Rogers, Merchants Bank Building, Mobile, Ala., all of whom testified on estate taxes; and E. S. Hall, Farmington, Conn., who testified on general tax revisions. Hearings will be continued.

REPORT ON JOINT COMMITTEE MEETINGS

AGRICULTURE APPROPRIATION

Conferees on H. R. 3601, Agriculture Department appropriation bill, held second meeting, reached agreement, and filed a report (H. Rept. 975).

INTERIOR APPROPRIATION

Conferees on H. R. 3123, Interior Department appropriation bill, held seventh meeting, but failed to reach agreement.

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate sustained President's tax veto and passed D. C. appropriations.

House overrode President's tax veto, passed general supplemental and Government corporations supplemental 1948 appropriations, and adopted conference report on Agriculture 1948 appropriations.

Army-Navy promotions, St. Lawrence waterway, and various other bills approved by Senate groups.

Resolutions authorizing investigations of housing and foreign aid approved by Rules Committee.

PAY-ROLL TAXES

Conferees on H. R. 3818, freezing pay-roll taxes, considered Senate amendments but reached no agreement thereon and adjourned subject to call.

ATOMIC ENERGY

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Met in an evening executive session to consider staff report.

ECONOMIC CONDITIONS

Joint Committee on the Economic Report: R. J. Eggert, associate director of marketing of the American Meat Institute, discussed the current meat supply and price situation; W. Randolph Burgess, National City Bank of N. Y., talked about Federal budget, debt, taxes, and interest rates; and Marion B. Folsom, Eastman Kodak Co., outlined some of the recommendations on current and long-range economic problems which were made by the Colmer Committee of the House in its final report.

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(New Laws)

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H. J. Res. 240, authorizing temporary appropriations. Signed July 17, 1947 (P. L. 196);

H. R. 3993, legislative appropriations bill. Signed July 17, 1947 (P. L. 197); and

H. R. 494, to reorganize D. C. parole system. Signed July 17, 1947 (P. L. 198).

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Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 9240-9250.

Bills Introduced: Fifteen bills and three resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1654-S. 1668; S. J. Res. 150, 151; and S. Res. 153. *Pages 9241-9242, 9249*

Bills Reported: Bills and resolutions were reported as follows:

S. 1026, to authorize Sec. of Agriculture to cooperate with Territories in administration of poultry regulations (S. Rept. 579);

S. 48, to provide \$25,000 a year for 4 years for the demonstration of public library service (S. Rept. 580);

S. 1236, to increase monthly subsistence for vocational rehabilitation to veterans in service-connected cases (S. Rept. 581);

H. R. 2181, relating to institutional on-farm training for veterans (S. Rept. 582);

S. 1369, relative to veterans' hospital at Clarksburg, W. Va. (S. Rept. 583);

S. 1188, establishing retention preference regulations to employees permanently injured in line of duty (S. Rept. 584);

S. Con. Res. 19, to establish a joint committee to investigate prices of consumer goods (S. Rept. 585), referred to Committee on Rules and Administration;

H. R. 4106, D. C. appropriation bill (S. Rept. 586);

Report from Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce on air safety (S. Rept. 587);

Report from Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments on United States Spruce Production Corp. (S. Rept. 588);

Twenty private claims bills: S. 192, 795, 892, 970, 1181, H. R. 821, 2607, S. 1463, 521, H. R. 341, 629, 1091, 2389, 2390, 2434, 348, 893, 1497, 1535, and 2693 (S. Repts. 589-603 and 612-616, respectively);

S. 1215, to authorize conversion of certain naval vessels (S. Rept. 604);

S. 1116, regarding construction of family quarters for members of the Army (S. Rept. 605);

S. 1581, regarding Port Newark Army Base (S. Rept. 606);

H. R. 3127, to give or loan obsolete ordnance to State homes (S. Rept. 607);

S. 1661, to provide additional inducements to physicians to serve in armed services (S. Rept. 608);

H. R. 3830, Army-Navy promotion bill (S. Rept. 609);

S. 1543, to authorize RFC to make GI housing loans (S. Rept. 610);

S. 1574, to authorize any United States agency to furnish materials for public international organizations (S. Rept. 611). *Pages 9240-9242, 9249*

Bills Referred: The following House-passed bills were referred to committees indicated: H. R. 1639 (Committee on the Judiciary); and H. R. 3739 (Calendar). (For passage in House, see Digest pp. D395 and D396.) *Page 9249*

Emergency Powers: House amendments to S. J. Res. 123, termination of various emergency powers, were concurred in, clearing the resolution for President. *Pages 9239-9240*

Missouri Election: Senate continued debate on S. Res. 150, to discharge Judiciary Committee from further consideration of S. Res. 116, to investigate Missouri congressional primary election (Fifth District). *Page 9250*

Tax Veto: By a vote of 57 yeas to 36 nays, Senate sustained veto of H. R. 3950, reduction of personal income taxes, effective January 1, 1948. *Page 9260-9282*

D. C. Appropriations: H. R. 4106, D. C. appropriation bill, carrying a total of \$94,947,504, was passed by voice vote in the form reported by committee. A conference was asked of House, and following conferees

appointed: Senators Dworshak, Ball, Young, Cain, O'Mahoney, McCarran, and Green. *Pages 9283-9284*

Salmon: Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce was discharged from further consideration of H. R. 3767, salmon convention between United States and Canada, and bill was passed. *Pages 9284-9285*

Nominations: The following nominations were received: Kenneth C. Royall, to be Secretary of War; Evan Howell, to be judge of the Court of Claims; J. Copeland Gray and Abe Murdock, as Members of NLRB; and Robert N. Denham, to be chief counsel for NLRB. The nomination of Mariano Villaranga, to be Commissioner of Education for Puerto Rico, was withdrawn. *Page 9285*

Reports on Committee Meetings

D. C. APPROPRIATION

Committee on Appropriations: H. R. 4106, D. C. appropriations bill, was reported carrying a total of \$94,947,504, which is a reduction of \$982,806 under the House-approved figure of \$95,930,310. It is under 1948 estimates by \$845,656, but exceeds 1947 appropriations by \$9,245,156.

WAR DEPARTMENT, CIVIL

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee met on H. R. 4002, War Department civil functions appropriations.

ARMY-NAVY PROMOTION, NOMINATIONS, AND OTHER BILLS

Committee on Armed Services: The following bills were approved: H. R. 3830, Army-Navy promotion bill, with perfecting and clarifying amendments, and substantive amendments increasing the number of four-star officers by 4, making a total of 14, and providing full protection to the Corps of Engineers, and appointment of chiefs of branches in the Army; S. 1116, regarding construction of family quarters for members of the Army; S. 1215, to authorize conversion of certain naval vessels; S. 1581, regarding Port Newark Army Base; and H. R. 3127, to give or loan obsolete ordnance to State homes, with amendment; and reported 1925 armed service nominations. Committee meets again July 19.

POSTMASTERS AND CIVIL SERVICE BILLS

Committee on Civil Service: One hundred twenty-three postmaster nominations were reported, and five were recommended for further study.

The following bills were reported: S. 430, to extend Civil Service Retirement Act to include employees of National Farm Loan Assn.; S. 1188, establishing retention preference regulations to employees permanently injured in line of duty, in making reductions in Government forces, with amendment; S. 1416, adjusting basic pay rates of Panama Railway Co. employees in accordance with the act of March 28, 1934; S. 1426, authorizing

certain administrative expenses in the Post Office Dept., with amendment; S. 1493, to give Civil Service Commission final decision as to eligibility of employees or former employees under Veterans' Preference Act; S. 1494, amending Veterans' Preference Act allowing veterans to make personal appearances in cases pending before Commission for adjustment; S. 1562, amending Federal Employees Pay Act of 1945 and excluding certain experts and consultants from coverage of Act; S. 1564, authorizing commemorative stamp for centennial of movement of Oregon Country pioneers; S. 1644, amending Veterans' Preference Act of 1944 to permit rescission of prior agency action in complying with Civil Service Commission's recommendations; and H. R. 1350, to amend act establishing National Archives, regarding restrictions on the certification of records. Several other bills were called up but postponed: S. 1311, 1424, 1492, and H. R. 3813. Committee meets again July 22.

ST. LAWRENCE WATERWAY

Committee on Foreign Relations: S. J. Res. 111, St. Lawrence waterway, was ordered reported favorably by a vote of 9 to 4. Report will not be filed until the next regular session in order to give the minority time to file its views.

The nomination of H. Freeman Matthews, to be Minister to Sweden, was approved.

TRAVEL RESTRICTIONS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee concluded hearings on S. Res. 111, removal of unnecessary travel restrictions, with favorable testimony from Russell Singer, American Automobile Assn., Rafael J. Urruela, city of New Orleans; Francisco J. Hernandez, Pan American Union; Herbert A. Wilkinson, Dept. of Commerce; and Mrs. John Thomas, D. C. League of Women Voters.

IMMIGRATION AND PRIVATE CLAIMS BILLS

Committee on the Judiciary: In executive session, committee ordered reported three private immigration bills (S. 521, 192, and 1463), and 25 private claims bills (S. 892, H. R. 2389, S. 795, 1181, H. R. 1492, 2607, 821, S. 970, H. R. 1497, 893, 2434, 1091, 406, 1535, 405, 2390, 2507, 2550, 629, 341, 348, 704, 2693, S. 551, and H. R. 914).

The nomination of Chester S. Dishong, to be United States marshal for the southern district of Florida, was reported.

DISTRICT JUDGE

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on the nomination of Roy Harper, to be United States judge of eastern and western district of Missouri, met and agreed to hear witnesses on the nomination on Monday, July 21.

DP ORPHANS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee met on S. 830, to admit orphans under 14 of displaced persons to the United States, and heard the following witnesses: Gerald H. Ullman, of Senator Ives' office; Ben H. Brown, Department of State; and Ugo Carusi, Commissioner of Immigration.

MOTOR CARRIER CLAIMS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee heard the following witnesses testify in support of S. 1260, settlement of motor carrier claims: Arnold E. Cronvall, CPA; Robert G. Ney, Counsel of Midwest Truck Operators; and J. A. Roswick and Steve Borrello, both claimants.

SEC INVESTIGATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Pursuant to S. Res. 35 of the Seventy-ninth Congress, and S. Res. 90 of the Eightieth Congress, relative to investigation of SEC, subcommittee, without taking action, adjourned subject to the call of the Chair.

ANTIDISCRIMINATION

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Further opposition testimony to S. 984, to prohibit discrimination in employment because of race, religion, or color, was heard by the subcommittee from Tyre Taylor, general counsel, Southern States Industrial Council, Washington.

SCRAP STEEL

Special Committee to Study Problems of American Small Business: Steel Subcommittee heard the following witnesses discuss the possibilities of returning scrap steel under the jurisdiction of the Army to this country in the light of steel shortages: Robert W. Wolcott, Industries Committee for Expediting Iron and Steel Scrap, Coatesville, Pa.; Brig. Gen. T. M. Osborn; Lt. Col. S. M. Pool; Vice Admiral E. L. Cochrane; E. H. Stewart, WAA; Burton L. Hunter and Albert J. Braund, United States Maritime Commission; Harold Stein, Washington; and J. E. Michaels, Hyman Michaels Co., Chicago.

Bills Reported: Bills and resolutions were reported as follows:

Minority report on H. R. 29 (H. Rept. 947), making unlawful the requirement of poll-tax payment as a prerequisite to voting in elections for national offices;

H. R. 1186, increasing equipment maintenance of rural mail carriers (H. Rept. 992);

H. R. 1189, establishing methods of advancement for rural mail carriers in the field (H. Rept. 993);

H. Con. Res. 57, suspending final disposal by the WAA of the Torney Hospital property, Riverside, Calif., until investigation by the Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments (H. Rept. 994);

H. R. 2029, providing for free imports of synthetic-rubber scrap (H. Rept. 995);

H. R. 3836, contributing to effective methods of internal peace and security (H. Rept. 996);

H. Con. Res. 104, establishing a Joint Committee on Housing (H. Rept. 997);

H. Res. 296, creating a Select Committee on Foreign Aid (H. Rept. 998);

H. Res. 295, authorizing Committee on Foreign Affairs to conduct studies of all matters coming within its jurisdiction (H. Rept. 999);

H. Res. 314, rule providing 1 hour debate on H. R. 3465, amending Federal Corporations Insurance Act (H. Rept. 1000);

H. Res. 315, rule waiving points of order against and providing 1 hour debate on S. 1498, wool price support bill (H. Rept. 1001);

H. R. 3924, amending Public Health Service Act regarding certain matters of personnel and administration (H. Rept. 1002);

H. R. 4257, extending time for filing claims for credit or refund with respect to war losses (H. Rept. 1003); and

H. J. Res. 244, establishing Health and Safety Code in Nation's bituminous-coal and lignite mines (H. Rept. 1004).

Pages 9324, 9343-9344

Indians—Taxation: Disagreed to Senate amendments on H. R. 981, relative to refund of taxes illegally paid by Indians, agreed to the conference asked, and Representatives Welch, D'Ewart, and Fernandez were appointed conferees on the part of the House.

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D. C. Rent Control: Disagreed to Senate amendments on H. R. 3131, to extend for 1 year D. C. Rent Control Act, agreed to the conference asked, and Representatives O'Hara, McMahon, Allen of California, Harris, and Abernethy were appointed conferees on the part of the House.

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Bills Referred: The following Senate-passed bills were referred to the committees indicated:

S. 318 (Banking and Currency);
S. J. Res. 136 and 144 (Foreign Affairs);
S. 1039, 1077, and 1150 (Judiciary);
S. 995, 1324 (Post Office and Civil Service);
S. 310, 312, 313, 499, 500, 542, and 1368 (Public Lands). (For passage in Senate, see Digest, p. D393.)

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War Claims: Passed H. R. 4043, changing the order of priority for payment out of the German special deposit account.

Pages 9286-9289

Excise Taxes: Passed H. R. 958, amending Internal Revenue Code, to exempt aromatic cachous from the retailers' excise tax on toilet preparations.

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Tax Bill Veto: Overrode the Presidential veto of H. R. 3950, personal income-tax reduction bill for 1948, by a vote of 299 to 108.

Pages 9303-9306

Agriculture Appropriations: Adopted the conference report on H. R. 3601, Agriculture Department appropriation bill for 1948, after rejecting a motion to recommit to increase the appropriation for rural electrification.

Of the 10 Senate amendments not agreed on by the conferees, the House, in an 8-hour session and after 5 yeas-and-nays votes, insisted on its disagreement to 7 of the Senate amendments, receded and concurred in 2 amendments with amendments, and receded on 1 amendment. Unless the Senate accedes to the House position a further conference will be necessary.

Among the amendments still in disagreement are the meat-inspection provisions, soil-conservation payments (modified by an amendment), school-lunch program, and farm-tenant loans.

Pages 9297-9303, 9307-9323, 9325-9332

Government Corporations: Passed, and sent to the Senate, H. R. 4268 (H. Rept. 991), Government corporations supplemental appropriation bill for 1948.

Pages 9294, 9339-9341

Supplemental Appropriation: Passed, and sent to the Senate, H. R. 4269 (H. Rept. 990), the supplemental appropriation bill for 1948.

Pages 9294, 9334-9339

Reports on Committee Meetings

UNIVERSAL MILITARY TRAINING

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Education and Training met in executive session on universal military training. Hearings to be continued.

BANK HOLDING COMPANIES

Committee on Banking and Currency: Continued hearings on H. R. 3351, providing for the regulation of bank holding companies, and heard Charles F. Zimmerman, secretary, Pennsylvania Bankers Association. Hearings will be continued.

MINE SAFETY

Committee on Education and Labor: Met in executive session and ordered favorably reported to the House H. J. Res. 244, establishing a code of health for safety in bituminous coal and lignite mines in the United States. An identical resolution, S. J. Res. 130, was passed by the Senate on July 16.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Fourteen public bills, H. R. 4268-4281; four private bills, H. R. 4282-4285; and six resolutions, H. Res. 314-316, H. J. Res. 245, and H. Con. Res. 105 and 106 were introduced.

Pages 9324, 9344

ITALIAN PROPERTY—BOXCAR SHORTAGE

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Full committee met in executive session and ordered favorably reported to the House S. J. Res. 138, providing for the return of Italian property in United States. Agreed to postpone action on sea-air and one flag line bills; H. R. 1980, health of school children; and H. R. 4211, Food and Drug Act (salt). H. J. Res. 217, radar, was tabled since the committee had already covered the subject of the bill in its investigation of Safety in Air Navigation.

Gillette subcommittee held public hearings on H. R. 3140, boxcar shortage, and heard Representatives Lemke and O'Hara; P. F. Scheunemann, vice president and assistant general manager, Peavy Elevators, Minneapolis, Minn.; and Warren C. Kendall, car service division, Association of American Railroads, Washington, D. C.

PATENTS—DISPLACED PERSONS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Patents, Trade-Marks, and Copyrights met in executive session and ordered favorably reported to the full committee H. R. 2860, to provide protection for designs for textile fabrics; and H. R. 4070, to carry into effect certain parts relating to patents of the treaties of peace with Italy, Bulgaria, Hungary, and Rumania, ratified by the Senate on June 5, 1947, and for other purposes.

Subcommittee on Immigration and Naturalization concluded hearings on H. R. 2910, to provide for admission into the United States of certain displaced persons in Germany, Austria, and Italy, and heard Hon. Tom C. Clark, Attorney General, who spoke in support of the bill. Hearings were also held on H. R. 2747, to amend the Nationality Act to permit naturalization of aliens serving in the armed forces, and heard Representative Keating, who testified in support of the bill; Jeremiah J. Twomey, chairman, subcommittee on immigration and naturalization, National Americanism Commission of the American Legion, who appeared in opposition to the bill. Several private immigration bills were also considered.

OIL—ALIEN SEAMEN

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Full committee met in executive session on H. R. 4042, to control the export to foreign countries of gasoline and petroleum products from the United States. Meeting will be continued.

Subcommittee on Ship Construction and Operation and Maritime Labor held hearings on H. J. Res. 243, to permit alien seamen to serve on merchant ships, and heard Representative Marcantonio; Hoyt S. Haddock, executive secretary, CIO Maritime Committee; Howard McKenzie, vice president, National Maritime Union; Capt. H. T. Jewell, United States Coast Guard; Walter E. Maloney, counsel, National Federation of American Shipping; C. W. Sanders, assistant director, Marine Division, Maritime Commission.

ST. LAWRENCE SEAWAY

Committee on Public Works: Concluded hearings on H. J. Res. 192, St. Lawrence Seaway, and heard Tom Ireland, Cleveland, Ohio; and J. T. Sanders, National Grange, both of whom testified in favor of the legislation.

Subcommittee on Public Buildings and Grounds met in executive session and ordered favorably reported to the full committee H. R. 4715, to quiet title and possession with respect to certain land in the town of Cheverly, Prince Georges County, Md.

MEMBER PARTICIPATION—HOUSING—CROP INSURANCE—WOOL—FOREIGN AID

Committee on Rules: Heard Chairman Eaton and Representatives Mansfield and Chipfield, of the Committee on Foreign Affairs, who favored H. Res. 295, authorizing the Committee on Foreign Affairs to conduct studies and investigations of all matters coming within the jurisdiction of that committee and providing for participation by members of other standing committees of the House of Representatives. The resolution was reported favorably.

Heard Chairman Wolcott, of the Committee on Banking and Currency, and Representative Javits, who favored H. Con. Res. 104, to establish a joint congressional committee to be known as the Joint Committee on Housing. The joint resolution was reported favorably.

Heard Chairman Hope, Representatives Pace and Hill, of the Committee on Agriculture, and Representative Dirksen, who favored a resolution providing consideration of H. R. 3465, a bill to amend the Federal Crop Insurance Act. A resolution providing one hour of debate was reported.

Heard Chairman Hope and Representative Granger, of the Committee on Agriculture, and Representative Barrett, who favored a rule providing consideration of S. 1498, a bill to provide support for wool, and for other purposes. A resolution providing one hour of debate and waiving points of order was reported.

In executive session, the committee approved H. Res. 296, to create a Select Committee on Foreign Aid.

VETERANS

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Met in executive session on various veterans' bills.

TAX REVISION

Committee on Ways and Means: Continued hearings on general tax revision and heard W. A. Sutherland, representing the American Bar Association, Washington, D. C., on administrative changes; Howe P. Cochran, Washington, D. C., on exemptions and deductions; M. R. Bullock, representing Tax Executive Institute, Inc., New York, N. Y., on general revisions; Steven H. Hart, general counsel, National Livestock Tax Committee, Denver, Colo., on treatment of income of

ranchers raising breeding herds; Benjamin C. Marsh, representing the People's Lobby, Washington, D. C., on individual income tax; and Bernard S. Rodey, Jr., assistant secretary, Consolidated Edison Co., of New York, on electrical energy tax. Hearings will continue next July 21.

Met in executive session and ordered favorably reported to the House H. R. 479, with amendment, relating to the income tax liability of members of the armed forces dying in service; H. R. 4257, to extend time for claiming credit for refund with respect to war losses; and H. R. 4259, to amend the Internal Revenue Code relating to musical instruments sold to any religious or nonprofit educational institution; and also relating to photographic apparatus.

REPORTS ON JOINT COMMITTEE MEETINGS
SCIENCE FOUNDATION

Conferees on S. 526, National Science Foundation Act, held first meeting, but failed to reach agreement; continue July 19.

BILLS SIGNED BY THE PRESIDENT

(New Laws)

(For last listing of Public Laws, see p. D398)

S. 564, Presidential succession bill. Signed July 18, 1947 (P. L. 199).

S. 1419, to enable Hawaiian Legislature to authorize Honolulu to issue sewer bonds. Signed July 18, 1947 (P. L. 200).

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HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed four veteran bills and recommitted another.
House passed national security (unification) bill.
Various Army-Navy bills approved by Senate committee.
House subcommittee approved universal military training bill.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 9345-9347.

Bills Introduced: Eight bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 1669-S. 1676, and S. Res. 154. Page 9346

Bills Reported: Bills were reported as follows:

Eight private claims bills: S. 551, H. R. 405, 704, 914, 1492, 2507, 2550, and 406 (S. Repts. 617-624, respectively);

S. 1174, to provide inactive duty training pay for Organized Reserve Corps (S. Rept. 625);

S. 1198, to authorize leases on stand-by plants (S. Rept. 626);

S. 1633, to authorize Marine Band attendance at National Convention of American Legion in N. Y. (S. Rept. 627);

S. 1675, to authorize Sec. of Navy to proceed with the construction of certain public works (S. Rept. 628);

S. 1676, to authorize Sec. of War to proceed with certain constructions (S. Rept. 629);

H. R. 3051, to amend Vinson-Trammell Act to repeal profit limitations and other limiting provisions relating to construction of vessels and aircraft (S. Rept. 630);

S. 1494, to amend Veterans' Preference Act to allow veterans to appear before Civil Service Commission for employment adjustments (S. Rept. 631); and

S. 1644, amending Veterans' Preference Act of 1944 to permit rescission of prior agency action in complying with Civil Service Commission's recommendations (S. Rept. 632). Pages 9345-9346

Bills Referred: The following House-passed bills were referred to committees indicated: H. R. 958 and 4043 (Committee on Finance); H. R. 4268 and 4269 (Committee on Appropriations). (For passage in House, see Digest, p. D401.) Page 9346

Indians: House amendments to H. R. 981, relative to refund of taxes illegally paid by Indians, were disagreed to, a conference asked, and Senators Watkins, Ecton, and Hatch appointed as conferees. Page 9347

Health: Executive D, terminating the International Office of Public Health, was ratified. Pages 9346-9349

Missouri Election: S. Res. 150, to discharge Judiciary Committee from further consideration of S. Res. 116, to investigate Missouri congressional primary election (Fifth District), was debated. Pages 9347-9348

Veterans' Subsistence: S. 1394, increasing subsistence payments to veterans under the education program, was passed. Pages 9349-9364

Terminal Leave: H. R. 4017, permitting cashing of terminal leave bonds after September 1, 1947, was passed, 85 yeas to 0 nays, and cleared for the White House. Pages 9364-9365, 9373-9377

Veterans' Housing: Senate debated S. 1293, to enable the Veterans' Administration to provide housing units for disabled World War II veterans. Motion of Senator Taft to recommit bill to Committee on Banking and Currency for further study was adopted 40 yeas to 37 nays. Page 9377-9388

Pension: H. R. 3961, increasing pensions for Spanish-American and Civil War veterans, was passed 71 yeas to 0 nays, and cleared for President. Pages 9389-9390

Amputees: S. 1391, to authorize payment for purchase of automobiles for amputees and other disabled veterans, was passed by voice vote after adoption of committee amendment. Page 9390

Nominations: Three Diplomatic and Foreign Service appointments were received. Page 9393

Confirmations: The following nominations were confirmed: Kenneth C. Royall, as Secretary of War; Ernest A. Gross, as legal adviser to Department of State; William J. Kennedy, as member of Railroad Retirement Board; Chester S. Dishong, as United States marshal for southern district of Florida; together with 63 appointments in the Diplomatic and Foreign Service, 26 in the Public Health Service, 124 postmasters, and 1,925 in the Army. Pages 9393-9394

Reports on Committee Meetings

WAR DEPARTMENT, CIVIL

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee completed "marking up" H. R. 4002, War Department civil functions appropriation bill.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Five public bills, H. R. 4286-4290; ten private bills, H. R. 4291-4300; and three resolutions, H. Res. 317, and H. J. Res. 246 and 247, were introduced. Page 9462

Bills Reported: Bills and resolutions were reported as follows:

DEFICIENCY APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee held hearings with testimony from numerous witnesses on H. R. 4268 and 4269, supplemental deficiency appropriations. Full committee is scheduled to meet on these bills July 21.

SEC. OF WAR, AND ARMY-NAVY BILLS APPROVED

Committee on Armed Services: In executive session, the committee approved six bills and various nominations, as follows: S. 1198, to authorize leases on stand-by plants, with amendments; S. 1633, to authorize Marine Band attendance at National Convention of American Legion in N. Y.; S. 1213, to authorize \$127,800,000 for naval public works in continental United States and overseas, with amendment; S. 1526, to authorize \$225,000,000 for construction of Army public works in continental United States and overseas, with amendments; H. R. 3051, to amend Vinson-Trammell Act to repeal profit limitations as well as certain other limiting provisions relating to construction of vessels and aircraft, with amendments; and S. 1174, to provide inactive duty training pay for Organized Reserve Corps.

The nomination of Kenneth C. Royall, to be Secretary of War, as well as on pending Army and Navy nominations, were reported.

FPC NOMINATION

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: The following witnesses were heard on nomination of Burton N. Behling, to be FPC Commissioner: Harold Kennedy, Mid-Continent Oil & Gas Assn.; Russell B. Brown, Independent Petroleum Assn.; and the nominee. Committee will meet in executive session July 22 to consider this nomination and other pending business.

DISTRICT JUDGE

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee met on nomination of Herbert W. Christenberry, to be judge for the eastern district of La., and heard Senator Ellender testify in support of it, and Harry W. Belford, attorney from Atlanta, against it.

H. Res. 276, requesting Secretary of Agriculture to act to prevent crop damage by use of "2,4-D," weed killer (H. Rept. 1007);

H. R. 4254, providing for disposition of farm-labor camps to public or nonprofit farm associations (H. Rept. 1008);

S. J. Res. 138, providing for return of Italian property in United States (H. Rept. 1009);

H. R. 3546, permitting retired officers and members of the United States armed forces to represent ex-service organizations in claims before the Veterans' Administration (H. Rept. 1010);

H. R. 4141, extending time wherein eligible veterans may apply for gratuitous insurance benefits (H. Rept. 1011);

H. R. 4243, providing minimum ratings for service-connected arrested tuberculosis (H. Rept. 1012); and Conference report on H. R. 3123, Interior Department appropriation bill for 1948 (H. Rept. 1013). Pages 9457, 9461-9462

D. C. Appropriations: Disagreed to Senate amendments on H. R. 4106, District of Columbia appropriation bill for 1948, agreed to the conference asked, and Representatives Horan, Stefan, Church, Stockman, Andrews of Alabama, Bates of Kentucky, and Fogarty were appointed conferees on the part of the House. Pages 9395-9396

Newsprint: Passed H. J. Res. 238, amending Tariff Act of 1930 to permit free entry of standard newsprint paper in widths of 15 inches rather than the present 16-inch width. Page 9395

Unification Bill: Passed S. 758, as amended, the National Security Act of 1947, after 7 hours of general debate and consideration for amendments. This measure would establish a National Defense Establishment responsible directly to the President, and headed by the Secretary of Defense. This officer would have Cabinet status, with three secretaries, one each for Army, Navy, and Air, without Cabinet rank.

The House considered its own bill, H. R. 4124, and after perfecting its text by amendments, substituted the provisions of the House bill for the Senate measure; requested a conference, and appointed the following conferees: Representatives Hoffman, Bender, Latham, Wadsworth, Manasco, McCormack, and Holifield. Pages 9396-9457

Insurance: Passed S. 1508, extending until June 30, 1948, duration of act affirming intent of Congress that regulation of the business of insurance should be left to the States. Page 9457

Reports on Committee Meetings

FARM LABOR CAMPS—WEED KILLER

Committee on Agriculture: In executive session the committee voted to favorably report to the House H. R. 4254, providing for the disposition of farm-labor camps

to public or semipublic agencies or nonprofit associations of farmers; and H. Res. 276, requesting Secretary of Agriculture to take immediate action to prevent further damage to crops as a result of the use of the weed killer known as "2,4-D."

UNIVERSAL MILITARY TRAINING

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Education and Training met in executive session on H. R. 4121, universal military training, and ordered favorably reported to the full committee a new bill, H. R. 4278, embodying clarifying amendments. The full committee expects to act on the new bill either July 22 or 23.

BANK HOLDING COMPANIES

Committee on Banking and Currency: Continued hearings on H. R. 3351, providing for the regulation of bank holding companies, and heard Charles F. Zimmerman, secretary, Pennsylvania Bankers Association; J. V. Norman, Jr., vice president, First National Bank of Louisville, Ky.; and Maj. Fred N. Oliver, representing National Association of Mutual Savings Banks, all of whom testified in favor of the bill generally.

Met in executive session and voted to report favorably to the House S. 1361, amended, providing for completion of certain public housing projects if cities pay the difference between the statutory construction cost limitation and the actual construction cost.

D. C. HOME RULE

Committee on the District of Columbia: Subcommittee on Home Rule and Reorganization held hearings on merit systems for the District of Columbia, and heard Kenneth C. Vipond, representing the United States Civil Service Commission; Walter L. Fowler, D. C. Budget Officer; Dr. Hobart M. Corning, Superintendent of Schools for the District; Clement Murphy, Chief, Fire Department; Inspector Smith, Assistant Chief, Police Department, all of whom discussed whether the District should have its own merit system entirely, or should stay under Federal civil service in some respects as at the present time.

Held hearings on the subject of institutional care for the District and heard Capt. A. H. Conner, Federal Bureau of Prisons; Donald Clemmer, Director, D. C. Department of Corrections; Dr. Winfred Overholser, Superintendent of St. Elizabeths Hospital; Raymond Clapp, Assistant Director, D. C. Department of Public Welfare; Charles E. Burbridge, Superintendent, Freedmen's Hospital; and Dr. George C. Ruhland, Director, D. C. Department of Health, all of whom discussed the problem involving use of Federal institutions by the District Government on a payment basis.

UNITED NATIONS

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee on International Organization and Law met in open session on S. J. Res. 136, on convention on the privileges and immunities of the United Nations; and S. J. Res. 144,

United Nations headquarters agreement, and heard Charles Fahy, legal adviser, State Department.

FRIGATE "CONSTITUTION"—PATENTS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 1 held hearings on H. J. Res. 200, to provide for the observance of the 150th anniversary of the launching of the United States frigate *Constitution*, and heard Representative Church and Captain Hicky, of the Navy Department, both of whom testified in favor of the resolution.

Subcommittee on Patents, Trade-Marks, and Copyrights met in executive session and ordered favorably reported to the full committee, with amendments, the following bills: H. R. 3366, permitting public libraries to acquire back copies of United States letters patent for \$50 per year; H. R. 1107, providing for extension of the time limitation under which patents were issued in the case of persons who served in the military or naval forces of the United States during World War II. Subcommittee ordered adversely reported H. R. 1270, granting a copyright for artistic interpretations by entertainers.

ALIEN SEAMEN

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: In executive session the committee voted to favorably report to the House H. J. Res. 245, amending Public Law 27 (80th Cong.) relative to the employment of alien seamen on merchant vessels. The committee also had under consideration H. R. 4042, to control the export to foreign countries of gasoline and petroleum products from the United States. Executive session on H. R. 4042 will be continued July 21.

VETERANS' LEGISLATION

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Met in executive session and ordered favorably reported to the House the

following bills: H. R. 4243, amended, to provide minimum ratings for service-connected arrested tuberculosis; H. R. 4141, to extend for 2 years the time within which eligible persons may apply for gratuitous insurance benefits; and H. R. 3546, amended, to permit recognition of officers and enlisted men retired from the military and naval forces of the United States as representatives of certain organizations in the presentation of claims to the Veterans' Administration.

REPORT ON JOINT COMMITTEE MEETINGS GOVERNMENT CORPORATIONS

Conferees on H. R. 3756, Government corporations appropriations, held first session, but failed to reach final agreement. Will meet again July 21.

INDEPENDENT OFFICES

Conferees on H. R. 3839, independent offices appropriations, held first session, but failed to reach final agreement. Will meet again July 21.

ATOMIC ENERGY

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Committee met in executive session with the Joint Chiefs of Staff (Gen. Eisenhower, Admiral Leahy, Admiral Nimitz, and Gen. Spaatz) and discussed how they fit into the atomic energy picture, as well as the coordination of the branches of service in that field.

SCIENCE FOUNDATION

Conferees on S. 526, National Science Foundation Act, in a second session, continued working on differences between House and Senate-passed versions of bill. Next meeting will be on July 21.

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HIGHLIGHTS

Senate adopted Agriculture appropriations conference report, disposing of amendments in disagreement, and debated Missouri election investigation.
House passed anti-poll-tax and civil-service annuity bills, 71 Consent Calendar measures, and adopted Interior appropriation conference report.
Housing, public lands, judiciary, and coinage bills approved by Senate groups.
Oil export control bill approved by House Committee.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 9463-9469.

Bills Introduced: Fifteen bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1677-1691; S. Con. Res. 27; and S. Res. 155.

Pages 9464-9465, 9463-9466, 9466, 9466-9467, 9498-9499

Bills Reported: Bills and resolutions were reported, as follows:

H. R. 1995, to provide for return of civil-service retirement deductions of employee separated before completing 10 years of service (S. Rept. 633);

S. 1507, to authorize sale of land in Polson, Mont. (S. Rept. 634);

S. 1416, adjusting basic pay rates of Panama Railway Co. employees (S. Rept. 635);

S. 1493, to give Civil Service Commission final decision as to eligibility under Veterans' Preference Act (S. Rept. 636);

S. 1426, authorizing certain administrative expenses in the Post Office Department (S. Rept. 637);

S. 1562, amending Federal Employees' Pay Act of 1945 and excluding certain experts and consultants from coverage (S. Rept. 638);

S. 342, to coin 50-cent pieces to commemorate 200th anniversary of founding of Reading, Pa. (S. Rept. 639);

S. 722, to issue Oregon Trail commemorative 50-cent pieces (S. Rept. 640);

S. 1042, to coin 50-cent pieces to commemorate Mount Rushmore National Memorial Society (S. Rept. 641);

S. 1304, to coin 50-cent pieces in commemoration of 100th anniversary of organizing Minnesota as a territory (S. Rept. 642);

S. 1614, to coin 50-cent pieces to commemorate patriotic services of Gen. Maurice Rose (S. Rept. 643);

S. J. Res. 48, to coin 50-cent pieces to commemorate 200th anniversary of Gen. Pulaski's birth (S. Rept. 644);

H. R. 3448, to permit Federal Home Loan Banks to accept mortgages under 25 years maturity as collateral for advances to member institutions (S. Rept. 645);

S. 1006, to increase acreage of sodium leases which may be issued in any State to a person, association, or corporation (S. Rept. 646);

S. 1367, relative to permitting grazing on public lands on nonprofit producing basis (S. Rept. 647);

H. R. 197, to transfer tract of land to Petersburg, Alaska (S. Rept. 648);

H. R. 3376, to extend time within which revenue bonds for public improvement may be issued in pursuance of laws of Hawaii (S. Rept. 649);

H. R. 185, to sell certain lands in Alaska to Catholic Society of Alaska for mission purposes (S. Rept. 650);

S. Res. 152, to authorize Expenditures Committee to make additional expenditures (S. Rept. 651), referred to Committee on Rules and Administration;

H. R. 2800, to amend HOLC, liberalizing provisions of loans made by Federal Savings and Loan Assn. (S. Rept. 652);

Three private immigration bills: S. 257, 1674, and H. R. 1652 (S. Repts. 653, 656, and 661, respectively);

Four private claims bills: S. 535, 939, H. R. 640, and 1737 (S. Repts. 654, 655, 657, and 662, respectively); and

Five bills to codify titles 1, 4, 6, 17, and 9 of United States Code: H. R. 1565, 1566, 1567, 2083, and 2084 (S. Repts. 658, 659, 660, 663, and 664, respectively).

Pages 9463-9464

Bill Referred: The following House-passed bill was referred to committee indicated: H. J. Res. 238 (Committee on Finance). (For passage in House, see Digest, p. D405.)

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Economic Report: Midyear economic report of the President was received and referred to the Joint Committee on the Economic Report. Pages 9469, 9554

Missouri Election: S. Res. 150, to discharge Judiciary Committee from further consideration of S. Res. 116, to investigate Missouri congressional primary election (Fifth District), was debated.

Pages 9473-9479, 9515-9516

National Security: Senate disagreed to House amendments to S. 758, National Security Act, and appointed the following conferees: Senators Gurney, Saltonstall, Morse, Baldwin, Tydings, Russell, and Byrd.

Pages 9469-9473

Agriculture Appropriation: Senate, by voice vote, adopted conference report on H. R. 3601, Agriculture Department appropriations bill, and receded from its position on amendment 54, involving personnel. By two votes of 81 yeas to 0 nays, Senate insisted on its amendments 18, 19, 42, and 43, involving meat inspection, soil-conservation payments, and school lunch program. Its position on amendment 50, appropriating \$20,000,000 for farm tenant loans, was insisted upon, 84 yeas to 0 nays. Amendment No. 1, relating to penalty mail, was further insisted on by voice vote.

Pages 9479-9514

Indians: Conference report on H. R. 981, relative to refund of taxes illegally paid by Indians, was agreed to.

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Nominations: The following nominations were received: To be United States representatives at the UN General Assembly: Warren R. Austin, Herschel V. Johnson, Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt, and John F. Dulles; and as alternates, Charles Fahy, Willard L. Thorp, Francis B. Sayre, Adlai E. Stevenson, and Virginia C. Gildersleeve; John Carter Vincent, to be Minister to Switzerland; Charles E. Bohlen, to be counselor of Department of State; together with 3 appointments in the Public Health Service.

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Reports on Committee Meetings

WAR DEPARTMENT, CIVIL

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee completed "marking up" H. R. 4002, War Department civil functions appropriations bill.

SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee completed "marking up" H. R. 4268 and H. R. 4269, making supplemental appropriations.

HOUSING AND COINAGE BILLS

Committee on Banking and Currency: In executive session, the following bills were reported: H. R. 3448, to permit Federal home loan banks to accept mortgages of not more than 25 years maturity as collateral for advances to member institutions; H. R. 2800, to amend

HOLC, liberalizing provisions of loans made by Federal savings and loan assns., with amendments; and 6 bills issuing commemorative coins: S. J. Res. 48, S. 342, S. 722, S. 1042, S. 1304, and S. 1614 (for titles of these bills see Bills Reported).

POSTAL EMPLOYEES

Committee on Civil Service: Subcommittee met to consider S. 1227 and S. 1168, relating to compensation of postal employees. Full committee meets July 22.

COMMITTEE EXPENDITURES AND FEDERAL PRISONS

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: The following two proposals were approved without amendment: S. Res. 152, to authorize \$30,000 to Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments for expenses for its subcommittee on governmental relationship; S. 1648, to authorize expenditures of income from Federal Industries, Inc., for training of Federal prisoners.

NOMINATIONS AND CLAIMS, IMMIGRATION, INCORPORATION, AND CODE BILLS

Committee on the Judiciary: The following nominations were reported: Philip B. Perlman, to be United States Solicitor General; Evan Howell, to be judge of United States Court of Claims; Leo F. Rayfiel, to be United States judge of eastern district of New York; Irving J. Higbee, to be United States attorney for northern district of New York; George E. Proudfit, to be United States marshal in Nebraska; Joseph T. Votava, to be United States attorney for Nebraska; Carl J. Werner, to be United States marshal for eastern district of Illinois; and Ward Hudgins, to be United States attorney for middle district of Tennessee.

The following 20 bills were approved, of which 9 were private claims (S. 535, 939, with amendment, H. R.

434, 609, 640, 1737, with amendment, H. R. 2361, 3495, and S. 609); 3 immigration (S. 257, 1674, and H. R. 1652); 3 incorporation (S. 1375, to incorporate the Jewish War Veterans; S. 1557, to incorporate the Catholic War Veterans; and S. 1356, to incorporate Franco-American War Veterans, each with amendment); and 5 bills to codify and enact into positive law titles 1, 4, 6, 17, and 9 of the United States Code, respectively (H. R. 1565, 1566, 1567, 2083, and 2084).

DISTRICT JUDGE

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee met with Roy Harper, to consider his nomination to be United States district judge in Missouri. Hearings to be continued.

BILLS ON PUBLIC LANDS, ALASKA, AND HAWAII

Committee on Public Lands: The following bills were approved: S. 1367, relative to permitting grazing on public lands on non-profit-producing basis, after substituting the language of H. R. 4079 (a companion bill) therefor; H. R. 3376, to extend time within which revenue bonds for public improvement may be issued in pursuance with the laws of Hawaii; H. R. 197, to transfer tract of land to Petersburg, Alaska; H. R. 185, to sell certain lands in Alaska to Catholic Society of Alaska for mission purposes; S. 1006, to increase acreage of sodium leases which may be issued in any State to a person, association, or corporation; and S. 1507, to authorize sale of lots to Polson, Mont., with amendment.

STEEL DISTRIBUTION

Special Committee to Study Problems of American Small Business: Walter P. Reuther, UAW, appeared before the Steel Subcommittee to discuss steel supply for the automotive industry. Hearings to be continued.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Ten public bills, H. R. 4301-4310; eleven private bills, H. R. 4311-4321; and five resolutions, H. Res. 318, H. J. Res. 248-250, and H. Con. Res. 107, were introduced. Pages 9615, 9632

Bills Reported: Bills and resolutions were reported as follows:

H. Res. 293, authorizing Committee on Ways and Means to continue study of revision of internal revenue laws (H. Rept. 1014);

H. Res. 298, authorizing Committee on Agriculture to study food shortages and demands, and rinderpest control (H. Rept. 1015);

H. Res. 318, rule providing 1 hour's debate on H. R. 1341, to construct a naval postgraduate school at Monterey, Calif. (H. Rept. 1016);

H. J. Res. 245, authorizing employment of aliens upon American ships (H. Rept. 1017);

H. R. 4042, controlling movement and transportation abroad of gasoline and petroleum products (H. Rept. 1018);

S. 1361, amending Housing Act of 1937, relative to permitting loans, capital grants, etc., for low-rent housing and slum clearance (H. Rept. 1019); and

H. R. 4242, modifying limitations on payments of non-service-connected pensions to veterans, and death benefits to widows and children (H. Rept. 1021). Page 9632

Science Foundation: Conferees on S. 526, National Science Foundation Act of 1947, were granted until midnight, July 21, to file a conference report on the measure. Page 9626

D. C. Appropriations: Conferees on H. R. 4106, District of Columbia appropriation bill for 1948, were granted until midnight, July 21, to file a conference report on the measure. Pages 9608-9609

Aviation Council: Conferees on H. R. 3587, National Aviation Council bill, were granted until midnight, July 21, to file a conference report on the measure. Page 9631

Poll-tax Bill: Passed, by a vote of 290 yeas to 112 nays, H. R. 29, making unlawful the requirement for payment of a poll tax as a prerequisite to voting in a primary or other election for national officers. Pages 9522-9552

Economic Report: Received "Midyear Economic Report" of the President, which was referred to the Joint Committee on the Economic Report. Page 9554

Federal Employees: Passed H. R. 4127, under suspension of rules, a bill amending the Civil Service Retirement Act of 1930, relative to liberalizing annuities and benefits given Federal employees. Pages 9596-9608

Veterans: Passed H. R. 3889, under suspension of rules, amending Veterans' Regulations to establish a presumption of service connection for chronic and tropical diseases. Pages 9609-9610

Consent Calendar: Passed the following bills on the Consent Calendar:

Geography: S. 1262 (in lieu of H. R. 1555, as amended), promoting uniformity of geographic nomenclature in the Federal Government.

Penalty: H. R. 1826, making it a petty offense to enter any national forest land closed to the public.

Marketing Orders: H. R. 452, as amended, amending the provisions of the Agricultural Adjustment Act relating to marketing agreements and orders.

Aviation: H. R. 72, increasing authorization for Coast Guard aviation stations.

Vessel Conversion: H. R. 3315, as amended, authorizing the conversion of certain naval vessels.

Explosion Victims: H. R. 669, as amended, authorizing Secretary of the Navy to settle all claims against the United States resulting from explosions at Port Chicago, Calif., in July 1944.

Indian Property: H. R. 1113, as amended, providing for the removal of restrictions on property of Indians who served in the armed forces.

Shasta Forest: H. R. 3175, as amended, adding certain public and other lands to the Shasta National Forest, Calif.

War Powers: H. R. 3152, as amended, extending certain powers of the President under title III of the Second War Powers Act, relative to the transportation of equipment and facilities by rail carriers.

Widowed Mothers: H. R. 1426, as amended, extending veterans' preference benefits to widowed mothers of certain ex-servicemen.

Postal Supervisors: H. R. 3075, permitting the Postmaster General to authorize compensatory time for supervisory employees for performance of duties in excess of 8 hours a day.

El Paso: H. R. 489, as amended, relating to settlement of claim against El Paso, Tex.

Credits Allowance: S. 323 (in lieu of H. R. 1466), as amended, authorizing Comptroller General to allow credits to relieve certain disbursing officers in the War and Navy Departments in the settlement of accounts.

Land Conveyance: H. R. 3862, authorizing FWA to grant to Montgomery County, Pa., land for erection of a courthouse annex.

Condemned Ordnance: H. R. 774, as amended, permitting the Secretary of the Treasury to dispose of certain obsolete combat materials by loan or gift.

Jurisdiction Transfer: H. R. 3703, as amended, to authorize transfer of surplus real property to the jurisdiction of the Department of Interior.

Land Grants: S. 1348 (in lieu of H. R. 3684), addition of certain lands to Silver Creek recreational project, Oregon.

Town-site Deeds: H. R. 3503, to permit issuance of unrestricted deeds, town sites, Alaska.

Monument: H. R. 3416, as amended, to provide for establishment of the Pensacola National Monument, Fla.

Appointments: H. R. 2645, appointment of United States Commissioners in National Parks.

Lignite Mining: H. R. 2453, authorizing (a) \$750,000 for erection and equipment and (b) \$250,000 annually for maintenance and operation of a lignite research laboratory.

National Park: H. R. 2096, as amended, acquisition of lands, Mammoth Cave National Park, Ky.

Indian Laws: H. R. 1049, as amended, repeal of Indian liquor laws in certain parts of Minnesota.

Federal Lands: S. 1185, as amended, to provide for disposal of certain materials on public lands.

Irrigation: S. 753, to defer collection construction charges, Flathead Indian project.

Surplus Property: H. R. 2239, as amended, amending Surplus Property Act of 1944, authorizing sale or lease to

the State governments of surplus property for use in training civilian components of the Army.

Acadia Park: S. 1220 (in lieu of H. R. 3371), transferring jurisdiction of portions of Acadia National Park, Maine, from Department of Interior to Department of Navy.

Sanatorium: H. R. 2793, as amended, authorizing appropriation for construction of a State tuberculosis sanatorium at Galen, Mont., for treatment of tubercular Indians.

Grazing Lands: H. R. 4079, amending Taylor Grazing Act, relative to income from grazing fees charged on public lands.

Cottonseed Oil: S. 1497 (in lieu of H. R. 4109), authorizing Census Bureau to furnish reports on stocks and consumption of related fats and oils.

Mining Locations: H. R. 2867, as amended, permitting mining locations under United States mining laws within the game sanctuary of the Harney National Forest.

Osage Indians: H. R. 3325, as amended, enabling Osage Indians who served in World War II to obtain loans under the Servicemen's Readjustment Act of 1944.

Peanut Quota: H. R. 4124, amending peanut marketing quota provisions of the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938.

Rehabilitation: H. R. 3834, authorizing rehabilitation project for certain works on Fort Sumner irrigation district in New Mexico.

Reservation Sale: H. R. 3619, authorizing sale of Mission Point Lighthouse Reservation, Mich.

Lands Transfer: H. R. 3043, as amended, transferring lands to the Secretary of the Interior.

Milk Prices: H. R. 3370, as amended, directing Secretary of Agriculture to support price of milk.

Virgin Islands: S. 512, extension of Bankhead-Jones and Soil Conservation Acts to the Virgin Islands.

Plant Quarantine: S. 338, as amended, authorizing Secretary of Agriculture to limit entries of nursery stock from foreign countries.

Escambia County: H. R. 3417, as amended, conveying part of Santa Rosa Island to Escambia County, Fla.

Okaloosa County: H. R. 3735, as amended, conveying part of Santa Rosa Island to Okaloosa County, Fla.

Refund Applications: H. R. 3632, extending time for filing for refunds from Unemployment Trust Fund of the Railroad Retirement Board.

Small Business: S. Con. Res. 14, favoring representation of American small businessmen on Government policy-making boards.

Land-Grant Colleges: H. R. 4110, correcting certain language in title I of the Bankhead-Jones Act.

San Antonio Arsenal: H. R. 2964, as amended, conveying a portion of San Antonio Arsenal to University of Texas.

St. Elizabeths Hospital: H. R. 3870, as amended, authorizing certain expenditures from appropriation of St. Elizabeths Hospital.

Lapel Buttons: H. R. 1544, providing gold star lapel buttons for widows and parents of members of the United States armed forces who lost lives in World War II.

Farm Island: H. R. 3874, as amended, authorizing the city of Pierre to transfer Farm Island to the State of South Dakota.

Commissioners: H. R. 3973, relating to compensation of commissioners for the Territory of Alaska.

Indian Loans: H. R. 2622, as amended, authorizing loans for Indians.

Crow Indians: S. 1317, as amended, providing for leasing of trusts on restricted lands on Crow Indian Reservation, Mont.

Osage Indians: H. R. 3326, as amended, issuing certificates of competency to certain members of the Osage Indian Tribe, Okla.

Alaska Lands: H. R. 4059, as amended, providing for settlement of certain parts of Alaska by war veterans.

Job Protection: H. R. 739, as amended, providing for protection of veterans and career-service employees in connection with reduction in force in the Federal service.

Transport Service: H. R. 1238, as amended, authorizing Canadian vessels to service Hyder, Alaska.

Rio Grande: H. R. 2776, as amended, constructing toll bridge across the Rio Grande, at or near Rio Grande, Tex.

St. Lawrence River: H. R. 3332, constructing bridge across the St. Lawrence River at or near Ogdensburg, N. Y.

Susquehanna River: H. R. 3334, as amended, constructing dam on the Susquehanna River by Pennsylvania Power & Light Co.

Subsidy: H. R. 3738, as amended, amending Public Law 88 (79th Cong.) relative to certain payments to nonprocessing slaughterers.

Procurement: H. R. 4010, as amended, International Organizations Procurement Act of 1947.

War and Navy Departments: H. R. 4084, creating additional positions in professional and scientific service in the War and Navy Departments.

Caribbean Commission: H. J. Res. 231, providing for United States membership in the Caribbean Commission.

South Pacific Commission: H. J. Res. 232, providing for United States membership in the South Pacific Commission.

Surplus Airports: S. 364, as amended, expediting disposition of Government surplus airports, airport facilities, and equipment.

Flood Damage: S. 1515, making surplus property available for alleviation of damage caused by flood or other catastrophe.

Wildlife Property: H. R. 4018, as amended, authorizing transfer of real property for wildlife conservation.

Dredging: H. R. 4229, authorizing documentation of the Canadian-built dredge *Ajax*.

National Forest: S. 616, authorizing creation of game refuge in Francis Marion National Forest, S. C.

Gold Star Mothers: S. 1180, issuing special series of commemorative stamps honoring Gold Star Mothers.

Game Fish: S. 682, as amended, regulating interstate transportation of black bass and other game fish.

Air Carriers: H. R. 4169, as amended, permitting authority for temporary emergency service of air carriers.

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Interior Appropriations: Adopted conference report on H. R. 3123, Interior Department appropriation bill for 1948, in which conferees agreed to 156 of the 179 amendments in disagreement. Of the balance in disagreement, disposed of 13 by concurrence with Senate action and agreed to the remaining 10 with amendments to Senate provisions. Agreement on these 10 amendments would clear the bill for the President.

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Bill Referred: The following Senate-passed bill, S. 885, providing that the dredge *Ajax* and certain dredging equipment be documented under United States law, was referred to the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce. (See Digest, p. D393.)

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Smithsonian Institution: Passed H. J. Res. 250, appointing Robert V. Fleming, of Washington, D. C., to the Board of Regents of Smithsonian Institution, in place of Frederic A. Delano, resigned.

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Wartime Taxes: Passed H. R. 4069, under suspension of rules, a bill to provide termination of a number of war and emergency statutory provisions related to internal revenue and customs.

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Reports on Committee Meetings

BANK HOLDING COMPANIES

Committee on Banking and Currency: Continued hearings on H. R. 3351, bank holding company bill, and heard E. C. Huntington, Jr., president, Morris Plan Corp. of America, in opposition to the bill.

D. C. HOME RULE

Committee on the District of Columbia: Subcommittee on Home Rule and Reorganization continued hearings on home rule for the District, and heard Wilbur A. Finch, Federation of Citizens' Associations; Woolsey Hall, Federation of Civic Associations; and Kenneth P. Armstrong, Central Suffrage Conference, all of whom testified on the principle of suffrage for the District of Columbia and the form of local self-government. Hearings will be continued.

INTERNATIONAL LABOR

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Full committee met in executive session.

Subcommittee on National and International Movements met in executive session and considered S. J. Res. 117, International Labor Organization Instrument of Amendment.

FEDERAL POWER—PUBLIC HEALTH

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Leonard W. Hall subcommittee continued hearings on H. R. 2972 and H. R. 2973, to amend the Federal Power Act, and heard Howard Wahrenbrock, Assistant General Counsel, Federal Power Commission; C. W. Smith, Chief, Bureau of Accounts, Finance and Rates, FPC; Joseph J. A. Jessel, Chief, Transmission Section, Electrical Division, Bureau of Power, FPC; and Nelson Lee Smith, Chairman, Federal Power Commission, all of whom testified in opposition to the bills.

Hale subcommittee held hearings on H. R. 3073 and H. R. 3784, to amend Public Health Service Act, and heard Commander Leon H. Morine, Personnel Division, United States Coast Guard, Treasury Department; Dr. Otis Anderson, Medical Director and Chief, Marine Hospital Division, Public Health Service, Federal Security Agency; and Dr. Robert Felix, Medical Director and Chief, Mental Hygiene Division, Public Health Service, Federal Security Agency.

IMMIGRATION—BANKRUPTCY

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Immigration and Naturalization met and heard Representative Jackson of Washington, sponsor of H. R. 2978, authorizing the admission into the United States of races indigenous to Siam, and to make them racially eligible for naturalization, after which the committee voted to report the bill favorably to the full committee.

Subcommittee on Bankruptcy and Reorganization in executive session voted to favorably report to the full committee H. R. 2451, amending section 75 of the Bankruptcy Act.

OIL

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Met in executive session and ordered favorably reported to the House H. R. 4042, to control the export to foreign countries of gasoline and petroleum products from the United States.

RAILROADS—MONOPOLIES—TAXES—
AGRICULTURE—NAVY SCHOOL

Committee on Rules: Heard Representatives Reed of Illinois and Gwynne, who favored, and Representatives Walter, Goodwin, Case of New Jersey, and Reeves, who opposed, a resolution providing consideration of H. R. 3980, a bill to enable debtor railroad corporations expeditiously to effectuate reorganizations of their financial structures; to alter or modify their financial securities; and for other purposes. No action was taken.

Heard Representatives Gwynne and Kefauver, of the Committee on the Judiciary, who favored a rule providing consideration of H. R. 3736, a bill to amend an act entitled "An act to supplement existing laws against unlawful restraints and monopolies, and for other purposes," approved October 15, 1914 (38 Stat. 730), as amended. No action was taken.

Heard Chairman Knutson and Representative Mills, of the Committee on Ways and Means, who favored, and Representative Eberharter, who opposed, H. Res. 293, to authorize the Committee on Ways and Means to continue its investigation and study of the internal revenue laws. The resolution was reported.

Heard Chairman Hope, and Representatives Cooley, Andresen, and Poage, of the Committee on Agriculture, who favored H. Res. 298, authorizing the Committee on Agriculture to make studies and investigations into matters relating to agriculture. The resolution was reported.

In executive session, a resolution was ordered reported to provide consideration of H. R. 1341, a bill to authorize the Secretary of the Navy to construct a postgraduate school at Monterey, Calif.

COMMUNISM

Committee on Un-American Activities: Held hearings on bills to outlaw or restrict the activities of the Communist Party, and heard Walter S. Steele, chairman, National Security Committee of the American Coalition of Patriotic and Civic Societies, and managing editor of the National Republic Magazine. Mr. Steele estimated that there are about 5,000,000 Communist Party members or Communist sympathizers in this country, including 2,000 servicemen.

VETERANS' PENSIONS

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Full committee in executive session ordered favorably reported to the House H. R. 4242, amending the income limitation governing the granting of pensions to veterans and death-pension benefits to widows and children of veterans.

USED AUTO PARTS TAX

Committee on Ways and Means: Held hearings on excise taxes on used automobile parts, and heard Robert Patterson, executive secretary of the Automotive Engine Rebuilders Association, Cleveland, Ohio.

REPORT ON JOINT COMMITTEE MEETINGS

RENT CONTROL

Conferees on H. R. 3131, continuation of rent control, held meeting, but failed to reach final agreement.

INDEPENDENT OFFICES

Conferees on H. R. 3839, independent offices appropriation bill, held second meeting, but failed to reach final agreement.

GOVERNMENT CORPORATIONS

Conferees on H. R. 3756, Government corporations appropriations bill, held second meeting, but failed to reach final agreement.

D. C. APPROPRIATION

Conferees on H. R. 4106, D. C. appropriations bill, reached agreement and filed a report (H. Rept. 1022).

SCIENCE FOUNDATION

Conferees on S. 526, National Science Foundation Act, in third meeting, reached agreement to file a report (H. Rept. 1020).

BILLS SIGNED BY THE PRESIDENT

(New Laws)

(For last listing of Public Laws, see p. D403)

S. 1462, to authorize official reporters of D. C. municipal court to collect transcript fees. Signed July 18, 1947 (P. L. 201);

H. R. 3493, Navy Department appropriation bill. Signed July 18, 1947 (P. L. 202);

S. J. Res. 129, to provide for commemoration of 150th anniversary of establishment of Federal Government in D. C. Signed July 18, 1947 (P. L. 203); and

H. J. Res. 233, authorizing the President to approve trusteeship agreements for various Pacific Islands. Signed July 18, 1947 (P. L. 204).

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HIGHLIGHTS

Several bills were cleared for President.

Senate approved President's housing reorganization plan and adopted conference report on Interior appropriations.

Bills on taxes, newspapers, veterans, foreign relations, civil service, D. C., and public works and nominations approved by Senate groups.

House passed bills terminating consumer credit controls and establishing national mineral stock pile.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 9634-9640.

Bills Introduced: Ten bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 1692-S. 1701; and S. J. Res. 152. Page 9638

Bills Reported: Bills and resolutions were reported as follows:

Report of Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments on the Federal Public Housing Authority (S. Rept. 665);

S. 430, to make Civil Service Retirement Act applicable to employees of farm-loan assns. (S. Rept. 666);

S. 1480, authorizing conveyance of land to State of Delaware (S. Rept. 667);

S. 609, conferring jurisdiction on District Court to hear claims (S. Rept. 668);

S. 1356, incorporation of Franco-American War Veterans (S. Rept. 669);

S. 1557, incorporation of Catholic War Veterans (S. Rept. 670);

Three private relief bills: H. R. 434, 3361, and 3495 (S. Repts. 671, 672, and 673, respectively);

H. R. 1544, to provide lapel buttons for widows and next of kin of members of armed forces who lost their lives (S. Rept. 674);

S. 1678, to provide for reincorporation of Institute of Inter-American Affairs (S. Rept. 675);

S. 1375, incorporation of Jewish War Veterans (S. Rept. 676);

S. 1590, to amend D. C. rent control law so schools and universities may recover possession of housing accommodations (S. Rept. 677);

H. R. 3997, to exclude vendors of newspapers from provisions of Social Security Act (S. Rept. 678);

H. R. 4043, changing orders of priority of payment out of German special deposit account (S. Rept. 679);

S. 1418, granting consent to New England interstate water pollution control compact (S. Rept. 680);

S. 1624, to authorize Pennsylvania Power & Light Co. to construct and operate a dam on Susquehanna River (S. Rept. 681);

H. R. 3146, to require Sec. of War to survey for runoff and water-flow retardation and soil-erosion prevention on watersheds when surveying waterways (S. Rept. 682);

S. 1663, to deprive former Members of Congress of retirement annuities when their prestige has been used to disadvantage of Government (S. Rept. 683);

H. J. Res. 231, providing United States participation in the Caribbean Commission (S. Rept. 684);

H. J. Res. 232, United States participation in the South Pacific Commission (S. Rept. 685);

H. R. 2471, to reimburse District for expenditures of United States Park Police force (no written rept.);

H. R. 3852, extending the amortization period of D. C. teachers' retirement from 20 to 50 years (no written rept.);

H. R. 3978, giving D. C. police lieutenants grade and base pay of captain while assigned as supervisors (no written rept.);

S. Res. 154, D. C. housing investigation (no written rept., referred to Committee on Rules and Administration);

H. R. 2173, licensing of D. C. undertakers and embalmers (no written rept.);

H. R. 2659, establishing a D. C. clinic for chronic alcoholism cases (no written rept.);

S. 1305, defining notice requirements before public lands reserved as power sites are declared open to location for entry (S. Rept. 686);

S. 968, D. C. Taxicab Limitation Act of 1947 (S. Rept. 687);

H. R. 3045, relative to D. C. Office of Recorder (S. Rept. 688). Pages 9636-9637

Bills Referred: The following House-passed bills were referred to committees indicated: H. R. 29 (Committee on Rules and Administration); H. R. 72, 1238, 3043,

3152, 3619, 4018, and 4169 (Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce); H. R. 452, 1826, 4110, and 4124 (Committee on Agriculture and Forestry); H. R. 489, 669, 1049, and 3243 (Committee on the Judiciary); H. R. 739, 4084, and 4127 (Committee on Civil Service); H. R. 774, 1544, 2964, 3315, 3417, and 3735 (Committee on Armed Services); H. R. 1113, 1602, 2096, 2453, 2622, 2645, 2793, 2867, 3175, 3325, 3326, 3416, 3503, 3703; 3834, 3874, 3973, and 4059 (Committee on Public Lands); H. R. 1426, 3075, 3334, 3738, and 3862 (Committee on Public Works); H. R. 2239 (Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments); H. R. 2776, 3332, 4010, H. J. Res. 231 and 232 (Committee on Foreign Relations); H. R. 3370 (Committee on Banking and Currency); H. R. 3632 and 3870 (Committee on Labor and Public Welfare); H. R. 3889 and 4069 (Committee on Finance). (For passage in House, see Digest, pp. D409-D411.)

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Interior Appropriation: Senate adopted conference report on H. R. 3123, Interior Department appropriations bill, and returned to House for further action.

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Public Lands: House amendments to S. 1185, to authorize disposal of certain materials on public lands, were concurred in.

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Airports: House amendments to S. 364, to expedite disposition of surplus airports, were concurred in.

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Housing: H. Con. Res. 51, against adoption of Reorganization Plan No. 3 (housing agency), was defeated 38 yeas to 47 nays, thus in effect approving the plan.

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D. C. Appropriation: Conference report on H. R. 4106, D. C. appropriations bill, was adopted.

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Aviation: Conference report on H. R. 3587, National Aviation Council, was adopted by voice vote.

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Science Foundation: Conference report on S. 526, National Science Foundation, was adopted by voice vote after rejection, 38 yeas to 46 nays, of motion of Senator Morse to postpone further consideration of it until 2 p. m., January 8, 1948.

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Indians: Disagreed to House amendments to S. 1317, to give Crow Indian Tribe power to manage certain lands, and appointed the following conferees: Senators Cordon, Ecton, and Hatch.

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Bass: House amendments to S. 682, to regulate the interstate transportation of black bass, were concurred in.

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Dredges: H. R. 4229, to provide that certain United States dredging equipment be documented under United States laws, was passed.

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Private Claim: Conference report on S. 254, private claim bill, was adopted.

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Bills Cleared for President: Action taken by the Senate on the following bills listed above cleared them for the President: S. 1185, S. 364, H. R. 4106, H. R. 3587, S. 526, S. 682, H. R. 4229, and S. 254.

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Nominations: Nominations of Charles M. Eldridge, to be marshal for R. I., and Rear Admiral Thomas L. Gatch, to be placed on the retired list with the rank of vice admiral, together with 427 in the Army Nurse Corps, were received.

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Reports on Committee Meetings

POSTMASTERS AND CIVIL SERVICE BILLS

Committee on Civil Service: One hundred and eight postmaster nominations were reported, and 11 were held for further study.

The following bills were approved: S. 1064, to simplify accounting procedure with respect to postal field travel expenses; S. 1082, allowing certain credits to postal employees transferred from one job to another for establishing promotion eligibility, amended; S. 1015, to reduce interest rates on postal savings accounts; S. 1663, to deprive former Members of Congress of retirement annuities when their prestige has been used to disadvantage of Government; and H. R. 1714, to exclude certain interns, student nurses, and others employed in Federal hospitals from Classification Act.

The following bills were considered but action was postponed: S. 520, fixtures and equipment for 3d and 4th class post offices; S. 549, increase of postmasters' salaries; S. 635, to increase pay for postal substitutes; S. 536, overtime pay for postal substitutes; S. 685, increase sick leave of certain postmasters and postal employees; S. 785, to establish 5-day week for rural letter carriers; S. 808, reclassifying salaries upward; S. 809, abolishing jobs of postal substitutes; S. 1018, relative leave of absence to complete academic studies; S. 1066, establishing uniform postal compensation computation procedures; and S. 1227, adjust pay of certain postal supervisors. Committee meets again tomorrow (July 22).

DISTRICT BILLS

Committee on the District of Columbia: In executive session, the committee took following action on District of Columbia bills: Reported, without amendment, S. 1590, to amend D. C. rent-control law so schools and universities may recover possession of their housing accommodations; H. R. 3978, giving police lieutenants grade and basic pay of captain while assigned as supervisors; H. R. 2471, to reimburse District for expendi-

tures of United States Park Police; by a vote of 4 to 3, H. R. 3852, extending amortization period of teachers' retirement from 20 to 50 years; and S. Res. 154, to investigate housing.

Reported, with amendment, H. R. 3045, placing Recorder of Deeds under direction of D. C. Commissioner, after substituting a provision to authorize purchase of photostatic equipment for Recorder of Deeds; S. 968, D. C. Taxicab Limitation Act of 1947; H. R. 2173, licensing of undertakers and embalmers; and H. R. 2659, establishing a clinic for chronic alcoholism cases. Postponed action on following until next session: H. R. 2984, prohibiting installation of radio and television antennae; H. R. 3998, regulating casualty insurance rates; and H. R. 3873, establishing a Department of Public Welfare.

TAXES, NEWSPAPERS, AND VETERANS

Committee on Finance: In executive session, the following bills were approved: H. R. 4069, to terminate certain tax provisions before end of World War II, with amendments; to amend section 5, relative to merchant marine construction reserve fund, making termination date March 1, 1948; to amend section 7, relative to exemption of servicemen, extending total tax exemption of enlisted men to January 1, 1949; to amend section 15, adding to percentage of depletion list, pyrophyllite; and added new section to be section 16, allowing contribution of corporations to unincorporated organizations to be deducted even though money is to be used outside United States, for taxable years before January 1, 1949. H. R. 3997, to exclude certain vendors of newspapers from provisions of Social Security Act. H. R. 4043, changing orders of priority of payment out of German special deposit account. H. J. Res. 238, to import 15-inch newsprint paper tax-free.

The nomination of Hugh H. Earle, to be collector of internal revenue in Oregon, was reported.

Committee postponed action of H. R. 3889, to establish presumption of service connection for certain chronic and tropical diseases.

FOREIGN RELATION BILLS AND NOMINATIONS

Committee on Foreign Relations: The following bills and resolutions were reported: H. R. 1468, re incorporating Institute of Inter-American Affairs; H. J. Res. 231, providing United States participation in the Caribbean Commission; and H. J. Res. 232, United States participation in the South Pacific Commission. The nominations of John Carter Vincent, to be Minister to Switzerland, and Charles E. Bohlen, to be counselor of State Department, together with the United States representatives at

the UN General Assembly (see Digest, p. D407) were approved.

COMMERCE, FTC

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Nominations of W. A. Ayres, to be FTC Commissioner, and David K. E. Bruce, as Asst. Secy. of Commerce, were approved.

DISTRICT JUDGE

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee met again with Roy Harper, to consider his nomination to be United States district judge in Missouri. Hearings to be continued.

ALLIED AVIATION CORP.

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee was scheduled for evening session on H. R. 631 (S. 704), for the relief of Allied Aviation Corp.

ANTIDISCRIMINATION

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: By vote of 4 to 1, subcommittee adopted resolution to return S. 984, antidiscrimination bill, to the full committee "with the statement that the subcommittee favors the general purpose of the bill, but with the recommendation that the full committee give further study to the provisions of the bill; and with the further statement to the committee that Senators Ives and Murray favor the bill in its present form."

PUBLIC WORKS

Committee on Public Works: In executive session, the following bills were reported: S. 1624 (H. R. 3334), to authorize Pennsylvania Power & Light Co. to construct and operate a dam on the Susquehanna River; S. 1418, granting congressional consent to New England interstate water pollution control compact; S. 1305, defining notice requirements before public lands reserved as power sites are declared open to location for entry; S. 1480, to convey a portion of Pea Patch Island to Delaware; H. R. 3146, to require Sec. of War to survey for runoff and water-flow retardation and soil-erosion prevention on watersheds when surveying waterways; and H. R. 3862, to authorize FWA to grant and convey a parcel of land to Montgomery County, Pa.

STEEL SUPPLY—SMALL BUSINESS

Special Committee to Study Problems of American Small Business: Frank R. Nichols, president, Nichols Wire & Steel Co., Davenport, Iowa, appeared before the Subcommittee on Steel to discuss distribution and supply affecting small steel manufacturers and users.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Nine public bills, H. R. 4322-4330; four private bills, H. R. 4331-4334; and three resolutions, H. Res. 319, H. Con. Res. 108 and 109.

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Bills Reported: Bills and reports were reported as follows:

Disposal of certain executive papers (H. Repts. 1025-1029, incl.);

H. R. 4247, attendance of Marine Band at American Legion convention in New York City and VFW convention in Cleveland (H. Rept. 1031);

H. R. 108, authorizing transfer of Fort Schuyler Military Reservation, N. Y., for nautical education purposes (H. Rept. 1032);

H. R. 4115, private land bill (H. Rept. 1033);

H. R. 2575, amending Articles of War relative to military justice, appellate review and equalization of sentences (H. Rept. 1034);

Conference report on H. R. 3131, D. C. rent-control bill (H. Rept. 1035);

Conference report on H. R. 3601, Agriculture Department appropriation bill for 1948 (H. Rept. 1036); and

H. R. 4308, relating to foreign decorations for former officers and enlisted men (H. Rept. 1037).

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Private Calendar: Considered private claims bills on the Private Calendar and took the following action:

Passed without amendment: H. R. 648, 1916, 2347, 3088, 3111, 3243, 3696, and 3754.

Passed, amended: S. 358, H. R. 625, S. 706, H. R. 718, 1131, 1155, 1534, 1645, 1781, 2012, 2192, 2891, and 3499.

Passed over without prejudice: S. 851 and H. R. 3383. Adopted conference report on S. 254 (H. Rept. 1024), private claim bill.

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Resignation of Member: House notified of resignation of Hon. Robert E. Thomason, from the Sixteenth Congressional District of Texas.

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Music—Photos: Passed H. R. 4259, excusing religious and nonprofit institutions from excise tax on musical instruments and photographic equipment.

Pages 9710-9711

Agriculture Appropriations: Further conference necessary on H. R. 3601, Agriculture Department appropriation bill for 1948, and the following conferees were appointed: Representatives Dirksen, Plumley, Andersen of Minnesota, Horan, Phillips of California, Cannon, Sheppard, and Whitten.

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Income Tax: Passed H. R. 479, correcting, retroactively, any situation arising under income-tax law upon death of a member of the armed forces.

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Spanish War: Agreed to H. Con. Res. 108, creating a joint committee to observe 50th anniversary of United States-Cuban victory in war with Spain.

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War Losses: Passed H. R. 4257, extending time for filing claims for credit or refund with respect to war losses.

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D. C. Appropriations: Adopted the conference report on H. R. 4106 (H. Rept. 1022), District of Columbia appropriation bill for 1948, carrying \$95,504,737.

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Federal Reserve: Passed S. 1519 (in lieu of H. R. 3952), to remove legal restrictions on Federal Reserve branch bank constructions when costs do not exceed \$10,000,000.

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Science Foundation: Adopted conference report on S. 526 (H. Rept. 1020), National Science Foundation bill.

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Aviation Council: Adopted conference report on H. R. 3587 (H. Rept. 1023), clarifying national policy relating to aviation by establishment of National Aviation Council.

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Indians—Taxes: Adopted conference report on H. R. 981 (H. Rept. 1030), relative to refund of taxes illegally paid by Indian citizens.

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Interior Appropriations: Agreed to Senate amendments to House amendments to H. R. 3123, Interior Department appropriation bill for 1948, thereby completing all congressional action.

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Mineral Resources: Passed by voice vote H. R. 1602, establishing within the Department of the Interior a National Mineral Resources Division to stimulate exploration, development, and production from domestic mines by private enterprise, and the stock-piling of strategic materials.

An amendment by Representative Case of South Dakota to include magnesium in the list of minerals presently in the premium-price plan for the next 2 years was adopted. A motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Public Lands was rejected by a vote of 273 nays to 114 yeas.

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Credit Controls: Agreed to S. J. Res. 148, as amended, terminating consumer credit controls and fixing installment-sales provisions on durable goods such as automobiles, home appliances, and home furnishings.

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COMMITTEE INVESTIGATIONS:

The following investigation resolutions were agreed to:

Internal Revenue: H. Res. 293, authorizing Committee on Ways and Means to continue study of revision of internal revenue laws.

Foreign Policy: H. Res. 295, authorizing Committee on Foreign Affairs to conduct studies of all matters of foreign policy.

Economic Aid: H. Res. 296, creating a Joint Committee on Foreign Aid to study economic aid to Europe.

Food Shortages: H. Res. 298, authorizing Committee on Agriculture to study food shortages and demands, and rinderpest control.

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Flood Control: Passed H. R. 4111, authorizing construction of flood-control works in Little Sioux River, Iowa.

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Farm-Labor Camps: Passed H. R. 4254, providing for disposition of farm-labor camps to public or nonprofit farm associations.

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Petroleum Exports: Passed H. R. 4042, authorizing Secretary of Commerce to control movement and transportation abroad of gasoline and petroleum products.

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SURPLUS POULTRY

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee on Food Shortages met on surplus poultry and poultry products and heard R. M. Abercrombie, executive secretary, North Georgia Poultry Association, Inc., Gainesville, Ga.; R. Frank Frazier, executive secretary, Virginia State Poultry Federation, Richmond, Va.; and Dr. Van Wageningen, poultry specialist, American Farm Bureau Federation.

MILITARY LEGISLATION

Committee on Armed Services: Full committee met to hear subcommittee reports, and ordered favorably reported to the House the following bills: H. R. 4122, Army Public Works bill (authorizes various constructions at military installations), without amendment; H. R. 4247, to authorize the Marine Band to attend the National American Legion Convention in August in New York City (amended to include the VFW convention); H. R. 108, conveys to State of New York, for nautical education purposes, the Fort Schuyler Military Reservation, without amendment; and H. R. 4308, authorizing members of the armed forces to accept certain medals and decorations.

Subcommittee on Procurement met in executive session to discuss ship's service stores.

D. C. HOME RULE

Committee on the District of Columbia: Subcommittee on Home Rule and Reorganization continued hearings

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on home rule for the District of Columbia, on independent boards, agencies, and commissions in the District Government, and heard Benjamin McKelway, trustee, Public Library; Thomas W. Walsh, chairman, Mental Health Commission; Col. Campbell C. Johnson, chairman, Parole Board; Carrie L. Allgood, secretary, Minimum Wage Board; and Alan W. Payne, chairman, Alcoholic Beverage Control Board, all of whom testified on the functions of their boards or commissions with recommendations for their retention. Hearings will be continued.

ACCOUNTS

Committee on House Administration: Subcommittee on Accounts met in executive session.

PROGRAM

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Met in executive session for discussion of future program of committee and staff.

ALASKA SHIPPING

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Subcommittee on Alaska Shipping Problems met in open hearings to consider Alaskan shipping problems, and heard Delegate Bartlett, of Alaska, and representatives of the Los Angeles and San Francisco Chambers of Commerce. Delegate Bartlett presented testimony on the present shipping problems which are seriously affecting Alaska commerce and industry. Hearing continues July 24.

COAL LANDS—EVERGLADES

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Mines and Mining met on H. R. 2186, increasing the amount of coal lands leasable to one lessee, and ordered the bill, with amendments, favorably reported to the full committee.

Subcommittee on Public Lands concluded hearings on H. R. 3378, relating to the completion of Everglades National Park, Fla., and heard Representative Dirksen, who suggested amendments to include mineral and oil rights of property owners; and Representative Smathers, who favored passage of the bill. Further action on this measure will probably be deferred until next session.

FLOOD CONTROL

Committee on Public Works: Subcommittee on Flood Control approved for submission to full committee two resolutions for review of survey reports as follows: Wheeling Creek, W. Va.; Indian Creek, Iowa.

Full committee ordered favorably reported to the House H. R. 4115, to quiet title and possession with respect to certain land in the town of Cheverly, Prince Georges County, Md. Resolutions for review of survey reports were adopted for Wheeling Creek, W. Va.; Indian Creek, Iowa.

COMMUNISM

Committee on Un-American Activities: Met on general subject of communism and its activities and heard testimony from Victor Kravchenko, former officer of the Red Army and an employee of the Soviet Purchasing Commission in the United States. Hearing to be continued.

VETERANS' LEGISLATION

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Full committee in executive session ordered favorably reported to the House H. R. 4309, amending GI bill of rights pertaining to loans for the purchase or construction of homes, farms, and business property; H. R. 4160, to amend the National Service Life Insurance Act of 1940, as amended, waiving payment of premiums under certain conditions; H. R. 3748, establishing rates of compensation for dependents of World War veterans who died from service or were disabled; H. R. 1335, providing pensions to members of the armed forces for disability incurred during peace-time service; and H. R. 3565, loans for construction of low- and medium-cost housing.

REPORT ON JOINT COMMITTEE MEETINGS

ATOMIC ENERGY

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Committee met in executive session with members of the Atomic Energy Commission to discuss administrative problems confronting the Commission.

AGRICULTURE APPROPRIATION

Conferees on H. R. 3601, Agriculture Department appropriations, reached agreement on remaining items in disagreement and filed a second conference report (H. Rept. 1036).

INDEPENDENT OFFICES

Conferees on H. R. 3839, independent offices appropriations, held third meeting, but failed to reach final agreement. Meet again tomorrow (July 23).

NATIONAL SECURITY

Conferees on S. 758, National Security Act, in first day's meetings, worked on differences between House- and Senate-passed versions of bill. Met in night session.

COMMITTEE STAFF

Joint Labor Study Committee (appointed in pursuance of P. L. 101 of 80th Congress): Subcommittee, in executive session, discussed appointment of committee staff and agreed to recommend the names of certain persons to full committee.

BILLS SIGNED BY THE PRESIDENT

(New Laws)

(For last listing of Public Laws, see p. D412)

S. 924, to credit active service in the armed forces for purposes of D. C. police and firemen's relief fund. Signed July 21, 1947 (P. L. 205);

H. R. 2573, to authorize the Geological Survey Director to sell aerial photographs. Signed July 21, 1947 (P. L. 206);

H. R. 3056, easement in lands in Bibb County, Ga. Signed July 21, 1947 (P. L. 207);

H. R. 3252, land easement in Long Beach, Calif. Signed July 21, 1947 (P. L. 208);

H. R. 3539, to authorize construction of chapel at Coast Guard Academy. Signed July 21, 1947 (P. L. 209);

H. R. 3247, provide basic authority for use of Coast and Geodetic Survey appropriations. (Signed July 22, 1947 (P. L. 210).

Wednesday, July 23, 1947

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed 111 bills on call of Calendar.

House passed bills on school relief, war claims, and Monterey naval school.

Bills on agriculture, civil service, interstate and foreign commerce, and investigation resolutions approved by Senate groups.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 9776-9780.

Bills Introduced: Six bills and a resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 1702-S. 1707 and S. Con. Res. 28.

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Bills Reported: Bills and resolutions were reported as follows:

H. R. 4268, supplemental Government corporations appropriations (no written rept.);

H. R. 4269, supplemental appropriations bill (S. Rept. 689);

S. Con. Res. 26, authorizing attendance of Members of Congress at meeting of Empire Parliamentary Assn. (S. Rept. 690);

S. 1648, to authorize expenditures for training of Federal prisoners (S. Rept. 691);

H. J. Res. 238, to import 15-inch newspaper print tax free (S. Rept. 692);

H. R. 4069, termination of certain excise tax provisions (S. Rept. 693);

H. R. 72, increasing authorization for Coast Guard aviation stations (S. Rept. 694);

S. 1653, to control export of gasoline (S. Rept. 695);

H. R. 4042, to control export of gasoline (S. Rept. 696);

H. R. 673, repealing authority to establish priorities in transportation by merchant vessels (S. Rept. 697);

H. R. 859, authorizing study of fisheries in the tropical and subtropical Pacific Ocean (S. Rept. 698);

H. R. 1238, authorizing Canadian vessels to service Hyder, Alaska (S. Rept. 699);

H. R. 2054, increasing retirement pay for certain members of the former Life Saving Service (S. Rept. 700);

H. R. 3043, transferring lands to the Sec. of Interior (S. Rept. 701);

H. R. 3541, relating to the duties of the Coast and Geodetic Survey (S. Rept. 702);

H. R. 3619, authorizing sale of Mission Point Light-house Reservation, Mich. (S. Rept. 703);

S. 1064, to simplify accounting procedure with respect to postal field travel expenses (S. Rept. 704);

S. 1015, to reduce interest rates on postal savings accounts (S. Rept. 705);

H. R. 1350, to amend the National Archives Act (S. Rept. 706);

H. R. 1714, to exclude certain interns, student nurses, and others employed in Federal hospitals from Classification Act (S. Rept. 707);

H. R. 4084, creating additional positions in professional and scientific service in the War and Navy Departments (S. Rept. 708);

H. R. 1602, establishing within the Dept. of Interior a National Mineral Resources Division (S. Rept. 709);

H. R. 4002, War Department civil functions appropriations (S. Rept. 710). Pages 9777, 9896

Bills Referred: H. R. 479, 4257, and 4259 (Committee on Finance); H. R. 625, 648, 718, 1131, 1155, 1534, 1645, 1781, 1916, 2012, 2192, 2347, 2891, 3088, 3111, 3499, 3754, and 3999 (Committee on the Judiciary); H. R. 3696 (Committee on Public Lands); H. R. 4042 (Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce); H. R. 4111 (Committee on Public Works). Pages 9775-9776

Bills Passed: On call of the Calendar, bills were passed as follows:

Garbage: H. R. 597, to protect agricultural, livestock, and public health by prohibition against garbage im-

portation in United States or deposition in territorial waters;

Mining: S. 1081, to promote the mining of certain minerals on lands acquired by the United States;

Veterans Housing: S. 1154, to amend Veterans' Emergency Housing Act by striking out 400 million dollars and inserting 75 million dollars for premium payments by RFC;

Alaska: H. R. 174, to make possible exploration and mining of gold and other metals in streams of Alaska;

Navy School: S. 229, to authorize a Navy postgraduate school at Monterey;

Navy School: H. R. 1379, to establish United States naval postgraduate school;

Remains: H. R. 3394, to amend act providing for return of remains of those buried outside the United States;

Congressional Record: S. Res. 127, placing limitations on matters to be included in body of Record as part of Senators' remarks;

Post Office: H. R. 3075, to authorize compensatory time for postal supervisory employees for duties in excess of 8 hours a day;

Veterans: S. 999, to amend Veterans' Preference Act with respect to Federal employment of disabled veterans;

Indians: H. R. 2005, relative to coal and asphalt lands of Choctaw-Chickasaw Indians of Okla.;

Medical Corps: H. R. 3215, to reorganize medical departments of the Army and Navy;

WAC—WAVES: S. 1641, to provide a permanent basis for women in armed services;

Leases: S. 1198, to authorize leases on stand-by plants;

Rio Grande Fence: S. J. Res. 46, Rio Grande border fence project;

Virgin Islands: S. 1014, disposition of Internal Revenue collections on articles produced in Virgin Islands;

Farm Labor: H. R. 4254, providing for disposition of farm-labor camps to public or nonprofit farm associations;

Lands: The following bills affecting public lands were passed: H. R. 2511, S. 1505, 1582, H. R. 3739, S. 1581, 1480, 1507;

Leave: H. R. 3501, to provide lump-sum payments in lieu of terminal leave;

Missing Persons: H. R. 3191, to extend benefits of Missing Persons Act to Filipinos;

Private Claims: The following private claims bills were passed: H. R. 3726, S. 795, 192, 970, H. R. 2607, S. 1181, 821, 341, 2434, 2390, 629, 1091, 2389, S. 892, H. R. 348, 893, 1497, 1535, H. R. 2693, 405, 704, 2550, 2507, 914, 406, S. 939, 535, H. R. 3243, 640, S. 257, H. R. 1737, 3495, 434, S. 609, H. R. 3361;

Social Security: S. Res. 141, to provide \$25,000 for Finance Committee to investigate social-security system;

National Defense: S. Res. 145, to provide \$25,000 additional for the Special Committee to Investigate the National Defense Program;

RFC: S. Res. 132, to provide \$50,000 for Banking and Currency Committee to investigate operations of RFC and subsidiaries;

W. Va. Election: S. Res. 142, to provide \$95,000 for Committee on Rules and Administration for investigation of W. Va. Senatorial election contest;

Prisoners of War: H. R. 3444, to provide relief for prisoners of war captured by Japanese and removed from a United States possession;

Subsidies: H. R. 3738, relative to certain subsidy payments to nonprocessing slaughterers;

Veterans: S. 1236, to increase monthly subsistence for vocational rehabilitation to veterans in service-connected cases;

Poultry: S. 1026, to authorize Sec. of Agriculture to cooperate with Territories in administration of poultry regulations;

Govt. Employees: S. 1188, establishing retention preference regulations to employees permanently injured in line of duty;

Navy: S. 1252, relating to naval reorganization and status of Chiefs of Naval Operations and of Material Division;

Irrigation: S. 1639, repair of irrigation works in Ft. Sumner irrigation district;

Vessels: S. 1215, to authorize conversion of certain naval vessels;

Medical: S. 1661, to provide additional inducements to physicians to serve in armed services;

Materials: S. 1574, to authorize any United States agency to furnish materials for public international organizations;

Immigrants: S. 1463, to amend Immigration Act of 1917 by providing for uniform documentation of immigrants arriving by air and sea;

Private Immigration: The following private immigration bills were passed: S. 521, and H. R. 1652;

Ordinance: H. R. 3127, to give or loan obsolete ordnance to State homes;

Veterans: S. 1494, to amend Veterans' Preference Act to allow veterans to appear before Civil Service Commission for employment adjustments;

Marine Band: S. 1633, to authorize Marine Band attendance at National Convention of America Legion in N. Y.;

ORC Pay: S. 1174, to provide inactive duty training pay for Organized Reserve Corps;

Retirement Deductions: H. R. 1995, to provide for return of civil-service retirement deductions of employee separated before completing 10 years of service;

Panama: S. 1416, adjusting basic pay rates of Panama Railway Co. employees;

Minerals: S. 1006, to increase acreage of sodium leases which may be issued in any State to a person, association, or corporation;

Alaska: H. R. 185, to sell lands in Alaska to Catholic Society for mission purposes;

Hawaii: H. R. 3376, to extend time for issuance of public improvement revenue bonds in pursuance of laws of Hawaii;

Alaska: H. R. 197, to transfer tract of land to Petersburg, Alaska;

Home Loan Bank: H. R. 3448, to permit Federal home loan banks to accept mortgages under 25 years maturity as collateral to member institutions;

Post Office: S. 1426, authorizing certain administrative expenses in Post Office Department;

Employee Pay: S. 1562, amending Federal Employees' Pay Act of 1945 and excluding certain experts and consultants from coverage;

Code: Five bills to codify titles 1, 4, 6, 17, and 9 of United States Code: H. R. 1565, 1566, 1567, 2083, 2084;

HOLC: H. R. 2800, to amend HOLC, liberalizing provisions of loans made by Federal Savings and Loan Assn.;

Inter-American: S. 1678, to provide for reincorporation of Institute of Inter-American Affairs;

D. C. Funds: H. R. 2471, to reimburse District for expenditures of United States Park Police force;

School Teachers: H. R. 3852, extending the amortization period of D. C. teachers' retirement from 20 to 50 years;

Housing: S. 1590, to amend D. C. rent-control law so schools and universities may recover possession of housing accommodations;

Newspaper Vendors: H. R. 3997, to exclude vendors of newspapers from provisions of Social Security Act;

Pollution: S. 1418, granting consent to New England interstate water pollution control compact;

Grazing: H. R. 4079, relative to income from grazing fees charged on public lands;

Dam: H. R. 3334, constructing dam on the Susquehanna River by Pennsylvania Power & Light Co.;

Rushmore: S. 1042, to coin 50-cent pieces to commemorate Mount Rushmore National Memorial Society;

Minnesota: S. 1304, to coin 50-cent pieces in commemoration of 100th anniversary of organizing Minnesota as a territory;

German Account: H. R. 4043, to change priority for payment out of German special deposit account;

Maurice Rose: S. 1614, to coin 50-cent pieces to commemorate patriotic services of Gen. Maurice Rose;

Oregon Trail: S. 722, authorize issuance Oregon Trail commemorative 50-cent pieces;

Reading: S. 342, authorize coinage of 50-cent pieces in commemoration of 200th anniversary of founding of Reading, Pa.; and

Casimir Pulaski: S. J. Res. 48, authorize coinage of 50-cent pieces on 200th anniversary of birth of General Casimir Pulaski.

(Senator Fulbright moved to reconsider the passage of S. 1042, 1304, 1614, 722, 342, and S. J. Res. 48.)

Of the above House-passed bills the following 42 were cleared for the President: H. R. 1379, 2005, 3191, 3444, 2607, 341, 2434, 2390, 1091, 348, 893, 1497, 1535, 2693, 405, 704, 2550, 2507, 914, 406, 1995, 185, 3376, 197, 3448, 1567, 1566, 1565, 2084, 2083, 1652, 640, 3495, 434, 3361, 2471, 3852, 3997, 3243, 4079, 3334, and 4043.

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Anniversary: Pursuant to provisions of P. L. 203, to provide for commemoration of 150th anniversary of establishment of Federal Government in D. C., Senators Buck, Capper, and Holland were appointed as members of the committee.

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Claims: House amendments to S. 706, private relief bill, were concurred in and cleared for President.

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Dredges: Senator Overton entered motion to reconsider passage of H. R. 4229, to provide that certain United States dredging equipment be documented under United States laws.

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Consumer Credit: House amendments to S. J. Res. 148, consumer credit regulation, were disagreed to and the following Senators appointed as conferees: Capehart, Flanders, Bricker, Robertson of Virginia, and Maybank.

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Smithsonian: H. J. Res. 250, authorizing appointment of Robert V. Fleming, of Washington, to the Board of Regents of Smithsonian Institution, was passed.

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Pershing Hall: Senate concurred in House amendments to S. 358, to provide for settling certain indebtedness in connection with Pershing Hall in Paris, France.

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Housing: House amendments to S. 1361, to amend USHA to permit capital grants for low-rent housing and slum clearance, were disagreed to and the following Senators appointed as conferees: Capehart, McCarthy, Cain, Fulbright, and Sparkman.

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Liberia: The following committee was appointed to attend the ceremony of the 100th anniversary of Liberia: President pro tempore; Senators White, Barkley, Wherry, Lucas, McKellar, Capper, Millikin, Green, and McMahon.

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Nominations: Received the following nominations: Rudolf E. Schoenfeld, to be Minister to Rumania, together with 48 nominations in the Diplomatic and Foreign Service, and 30 postmasters.

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Confirmations: The following nominations were confirmed: Charles E. Bohlen, as counselor for Dept. of State; David K. E. Bruce, Asst. Secy. of Commerce; W. A. Ayres, FTC Commissioner; United States representatives and alternates to the UN General Assembly (see Digest, p. D407); John Carter Vincent, as Minister to Switzerland; Maj. Gen. Wm. P. T. Hill, as Marine Quartermaster General; Brig. Gen. Wm. W. Bessell, Jr., West Point professor of mathematics; Evan Howell, judge of United States Court of Claims; Leo F. Rayfiel, to be United States judge for the eastern district of New York; together with 3 appointments as United States attorneys; 2 United States marshals; 1 collector of internal revenue; 26 appointments in the Navy; 3 in the Diplomatic and Foreign Service; and 108 postmasters.

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Reports on Committee Meetings

NATIONAL FORESTS, MARKETING, PEANUTS, AND LAND-GRANT COLLEGES

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: The following bills were approved in form passed by House: H. R. 4110, making a technical amendment to title 1 of the Bankhead-Jones Act, relative to land-grant colleges; H. R. 1826, making it a petty offense to enter any national forest land closed to public; H. R. 452, amending provisions of the AAA, relating to marketing agreements and orders; and H. R. 4124, amending AAA relative to peanut quotas.

APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Reported H. R. 4268 and 4269, making supplemental appropriations for various agencies of the Government, and H. R. 4002 War Dept. Civil Functions appropriation.

AIRPORT

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee heard opponents and proponents on construction of airport at Annapolis, Md., concluding hearings on the issue. Subcommittee will report to full committee at a later date.

P. O. INVESTIGATION, LOYALTY BILL, AND SCIENTIFIC PERSONNEL

Committee on Civil Service: In executive session, the committee certified to the Committee on Rules and Ad-

ministration a budgetary procedure which it desires to have approved to carry out the intent of S. Con. Res. 20, to examine business methods and operations of the Post Office Department. S. Con. Res. 20 was approved by this committee on July 15, but before the Senate acts on it, Committee on Rules and Administration must approve such a budget.

H. R. 4084, to grant new pay minimums for professional and scientific civilian personnel in the armed services, was approved.

H. R. 3813, Federal employees loyalty bill, was discussed and referred to a subcommittee for study. The subcommittee will meet July 24 and report the bill back to the full committee on July 25.

INTERSTATE BILLS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: The following bills were approved: H. R. 72, increasing authorization for Coast Guard aviation stations; H. R. 1238, authorizing Canadian vessels to service Hyder, Alaska; H. R. 3043, transferring lands to the Sec. of Interior; H. R. 3619, authorizing sale of Mission Point Lighthouse Reservation, Mich.; H. R. 3541, relating to the duties of the Coast and Geodetic Survey; H. R. 673, repealing certain provisions authorizing the establishment of priorities in transportation by merchant vessels; H. R. 2054, increasing retirement pay for certain members of the former Life Saving Service; H. R. 4042, authorizing Sec. of Commerce to control movement and transportation abroad of gasoline and petroleum products; H. R. 853, authorizing study of fisheries in the tropical and subtropical Pacific Ocean; and S. 1653, to control export of gasoline.

Nomination of Burton N. Behling, to be a member of FPC, was approved, and Senator Capchert was named as a subcommittee of one to consider S. 1371 and 1396, Alaskan airport bills. Motion by Senator Capchert to check into world economic conditions was adopted.

NLRB NOMINATIONS

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Committee met with J. Copeland Gray of N. Y., Robert N. Denham of Maryland, and Abe Murdock of Utah to discuss their respective nominations to the NLRB.

HEALTH LEGISLATION

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee, in connection with its study of S. 545, to create an independent national health agency, and S. 1320, National Health Insurance and Public Health Act of 1947, heard Isadore S. Falk, director, Bureau of Research and Statistics, Social Security Administration, discuss his activities in connection with successive Wagner-Murray-Dingell bills on national health insurance. Further hearings on this legislation are postponed until January 1948.

INVESTIGATION

Committee on Rules and Administration: In executive session, committee approved the following resolutions: S. Res. 120, to provide \$25,000 for Committee on the Judiciary to make investigations in pursuance of section 134 of Reorganization Act, with amendment; S. Res. 148, to provide \$25,000 for the Committee on Public Lands to hold hearings and conduct investigations; S. Res. 147, to provide \$15,000 for the Committee on Agriculture and Forestry to study agricultural problems and trends, with amendment; S. Con. Res. 25, to provide \$50,000 for a joint committee to investigate entire housing field, with amendment; S. Con. Res. 26, to authorize attendance of Members of Congress at Empire Parliamentary Association meeting; S. Con. Res. 19, to provide \$25,000 for the Joint Committee on the Economic Report for two of its subcommittees to study prices of consumer goods, with amendment; S. Res. 153, to provide \$50,000 for the Small Business Committee and extend its authority until October 31, 1948; and S. Res. 152, to provide \$30,000 for the Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments for its Subcommittee on Governmental Relationship, with amendment.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Eleven public bills, H. R. 4335-4345; one private bill, H. R. 4346; and seven resolutions, H. Res. 320-325, and H. Con. Res. 110, were introduced.

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Bills Reported: Bills and reports were reported as follows:

H. R. 3988, relating to sale of Paxon Field, Duval County, Fla. (H. Rept. 1038);

H. R. 4309, authorizing Farm Credit Administration to make direct loans to World War II veterans (H. Rept. 1039);

S. 1350, authorizing relief of Chief Disbursing Officer, Division of Disbursements, Treasury Department (H. Rept. 1040);

Interim report of Select Committee on Newsprint and Paper Supply (H. Rept. 1042);

H. R. 4186, prohibiting and punishing the unauthorized use of official United Nations seal, emblem, and name (H. Rept. 1043);

H. R. 4212, providing increase in subsistence allowance to veterans pursuing certain courses under the GI bill of rights (H. Rept. 1044);

H. R. 4330, authorizing Secretary of State to perform certain consular-type functions within the United States and Territories (H. Rept. 1045);

S. 907, providing for transaction of business in event of an unfilled regional disbursing office of the Treasury Department (H. Rept. 1046);

H. R. 1650, a private claim bill (H. Rept. 1047);

H. R. 4122, authorizing Secretary of War to proceed with construction of war installations (H. Rept. 1048); and

Conference report on H. R. 3839, independent offices appropriation bill for 1948 (H. Rept. 1049).

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Investment Taxes: Passed H. R. 3613, amending the Internal Revenue Code, by removing certain tax features in cases of bond transfers, stock loans, and stamp taxes.

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Reclamation: Passed S. 483, relocating boundaries and reducing area of Gila reclamation project.

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Records: Agreed to Senate amendments to H. R. 2938, fixing price for copies of records furnished by Department of the Interior, clearing bill for Executive action.

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Parliamentary Group: Agreed to H. Con. Res. 110, relative to appointment of congressional representation at meeting of Empire Parliamentary Association, in Bermuda, December 1947.

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Committee Elections: The following committee-election resolutions were agreed to:

H. Res. 320, electing Mr. Pickett to the Committee on Public Works.

H. Res. 321, electing Mr. Clevenger to the Committee on Appropriations.

H. Res. 322, electing Mr. Arnold to the Committee on Agriculture.

H. Res. 323, electing Mr. Mack to the Committee on Public Works.

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School Aid: Passed H. R. 3682, a bill providing 5 million dollars assistance, for 1 year ending June 30, 1948, to certain war-industry areas for operation of overburdened school facilities.

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Anniversary: Passed H. J. Res. 218 (H. Rept. 1041), official United States observance of the 200th anniversary of founding of Reading, Pa.

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Public Domain: Passed S. 1368, increasing the size of isolated or disconnected tracts or parcels of the public domain which may be sold.

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Foreign Decorations: Passed H. R. 4308, relating to acceptance of foreign decorations by former officers and enlisted men.

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VA Claims: Passed H. R. 3546, permitting retired armed service personnel to represent ex-service organizations in claims before the Veterans' Administration.

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Nisei War Claims: Passed H. R. 3999, authorizing Attorney General to adjudicate claims of persons of Japanese ancestry against the United States for losses arising out of their forced evacuation from the west coast, Alaska, and Hawaii during World War II.

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Utilities: Agreed to Senate amendments on H. R. 3055, to authorize Secretaries of War and Navy to sell utilities and related services.

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D. C. Rent Bill: Adopted conference report on H. R. 3131, District of Columbia rent control bill, and sent it to the Senate.

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Naval School: Passed H. R. 1341, to authorize the Secretary of the Navy to construct a postgraduate school at Monterey, Calif., adopted all committee amendments, among which was a reduction of the construction cost of \$28,750,000 to \$2,500,000.

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Mining: Passed H. R. 3022, to promote and encourage the development of the ore, gas, and other minerals on acquired lands of the United States under the jurisdiction of the Department of the Interior.

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Veterans Hospital: Passed H. Con. Res. 54, providing for the use of the Schick General Hospital, Iowa, by the Veterans' Administration.

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John A. Sutter: Passed H. Res. 325, permitting use by California State Library of House files relating to H. R. 3818 (44th Cong.), a bill for the relief of John A. Sutter.

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Housing—Controls: Disagreed to Senate amendments on S. 1361, to amend USHA to permit capital grants for low-rent housing and slum clearance; and S. J. Res. 148, to provide for continuation of Consumer Credit Regulation W for 6 months, and Representatives Wolcott, Gamble, Kunkel, Talle, Spence, Brown of Georgia, and Patman were appointed conferees on the part of the House on both bills.

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Reports on Committee Meetings

PROGRAM

Committee on Agriculture: Met in executive session to discuss program of committee during recess.

NAVAL MATERIAL

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Organization and Mobilization met to discuss S. 1641,

WAC and WAVE legislation. Action by the subcommittee was deferred until a later date. H. R. 3432, creates within the Navy Department a new Office of Naval Material headed by a Chief of Naval Material, who shall determine production and procurement problems, was ordered favorably reported without amendment.

D. C. HOME RULE

Committee on the District of Columbia: Subcommittee on Home Rule and Reorganization heard Louis Brownlow; Col. William A. Roberts; Henry Bertscher, Industrial Union Council; Mrs. Milton Dunn, League of Women Voters; and Benjamin C. Sigal, Americans for Democratic Action, all of whom testified on their recommendations for home rule in and the government for the District of Columbia. Hearings will be continued.

MINIMUM WAGE

Committee on Education and Labor: Subcommittee on Wages and Hours of Labor met in executive session on H. R. 3886, increasing minimum wage rate, and decided to defer action on the bill for this session. Subcommittee plans to hold hearings in the fall on a broader scope not confined solely to the minimum wage rate.

EXPENDITURES

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: In executive session the committee voted to favorably report to the House S. 907, continuing payments by Treasury Department in name of regional disbursing officers who have been separated from office by death, resignation, etc.; S. 1350, authorizing relief of disbursing officers in Treasury Department from responsibility for actual physical loss, without fault or negligence, of Government funds, vouchers, records or papers; H. R. 3988, relating to sale of Paxon Field, Fla. The committee also adopted an intermediate report from the Subcommittee on Propaganda and Publicity and an intermediate report from the Subcommittee Investigating the State Department.

INTERNATIONAL LABOR—UN—SECRETARY OF STATE

Committee on Foreign Affairs met in executive session on various bills and considered S. J. Res. 136, convention on the privileges and immunities of the United Nations; and S. J. Res. 144, United Nations Headquarters Agreement. Committee ordered favorably reported to the House the following: S. J. Res. 117, International Labor Organization Instrument of Amendment; H. R. 4186, prohibiting the unauthorized use of the official seal, emblem, and name of the United Nations; and H. R. 4330, authorizing the Secretary of State to perform certain consular-type functions within the United States and its Territories and possessions.

Subcommittee on Information and Communications met in executive session.

Subcommittee on International Organizations and Law met in executive session.

ADMINISTRATIVE

Committee on House Administration: Met in executive session and voted to favorably report to the House 12 measures authorizing funds for various committees and subcommittees to carry out investigations and studies previously authorized. Also ordered favorably reported 3 resolutions authorizing printing of additional hearings for the Armed Services Committee and Ways and Means Committee and printing additional copies of the report Operation of Health Workshops. The committee also ordered favorably reported S. J. Res. 112, creating a commission to formulate plans for erection of Marine Corps memorial in Grant Park, Chicago, Ill.; and H. J. Res. 218, creating United States Reading Bicentennial Commission with Congressional representation, to cooperate with the city of Reading in the observance of the 200th anniversary of its founding.

PENDING BILLS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Full committee held public hearing to hear Members of Congress on bills introduced by them and pending before the committee, and heard Representative Weichel on H. R. 4163, to authorize medical and hospital service for those employed in the maritime service; Representative Howell on H. R. 4165, to require channeling of Federal Airport Act funds through the States and to make other technical amendments in the Act; and Representative Lea on H. R. 3692, to permit common carriers to hold stock in freight forwarders under certain conditions.

IMMIGRATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Immigration and Naturalization heard Representatives Coudert and Mundt and Viktor A. Kravchenko in support of H. R. 896, a private bill for the relief of Viktor A. Kravchenko. The bill was ordered favorably reported to the full committee, amended. Also one other private immigration measure was considered and ordered favorably reported to the full committee.

STAR ROUTE BILLS

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Held hearing on H. R. 3935, H. R. 2099, and S. 263, star route bills, and heard Frank E. Russell, National Star Route Mail Carriers Association; and Roy M. Martin and Wm. P. Crater, Post Office Department.

GUAM

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Territorial and Insular Possessions met in executive session on civil government for Guam.

PUBLIC BUILDING

Committee on Public Works: Subcommittee on Public Buildings and Grounds held hearing on H. R. 3506, to provide for acquisition of a site for new Federal Building in Huntington, W. Va., and heard Representative Ellis; and Commissioner Wm. E. Reynolds, Public Buildings Administration.

COMMUNISM

Committee on Un-American Activities: Continued hearings on the general subject of communism, and heard Ann Matthews, Gene Pratt, Spencer Long, Edwin McCrea, W. C. Sheppard, and Robert C. Black, all of Winston-Salem, N. C., who testified concerning alleged Communist influences in Local 22 of the Food, Tobacco and Agricultural Workers, CIO. Hearings will be continued.

VETERANS' LEGISLATION

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Full committee in executive session ordered favorably reported the following bills: H. R. 3016, authorizing stenographic assistance for paid full-time representatives of veterans' organizations authorized to present claims, etc.; H. R. 4244, authorizing assistance to certain veterans in acquiring specially adapted housing which they require by reason of the nature of their service-connected disabilities; and

H. R. 4212, providing increase in subsistence allowance to veterans pursuing certain courses under the GI Bill.

REPORT ON JOINT COMMITTEE MEETINGS INDEPENDENT OFFICES

Conferees on H. R. 3839, independent offices appropriations, reached agreement and filed a report (H. Rept. 1049).

BILLS SIGNED BY THE PRESIDENT (New Laws)

(For last listing of Public Laws, see p. D418)

H. R. 1203, to provide compensation for persons performing duties of postmasters. Signed July 22, 1947 (P. L. 211);

H. R. 3053, easement of lands in Hawaii. Signed July 22, 1947 (P. L. 212);

H. R. 3149, relating to the admission of alien spouses and minor children of citizen members of armed forces. Signed July 22, 1947 (P. L. 213);

H. R. 3672, to create an academic advisory board for Merchant Marine Academy. Signed July 22, 1947 (P. L. 214).

H. R. 1448, licensing of D. C. buildings used for living quarters. Signed July 22, 1947 (P. L. 215).

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HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed 23 bills on Call of Calendar and War civil functions appropriations and agreed to conference reports on National Military Establishment and independent offices appropriations.

House passed 2d supplemental appropriation for 1948 and resolution to study national housing problems; also adopted four conference reports.

Bills on civil service retirement, NHA, judiciary, and public works approved by Senate groups.

Bills on banking, bankruptcy, immigration, patents, and civil service ordered reported to House.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 9896-9907.

Bills Introduced: Bills and resolutions were introduced as follows: S. 1708-S. 1724; S. Con. Res. 29, 30; S. J. Res. 153; and S. Res. 156.

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Bills Reported: Bills and resolutions were reported as follows:

H. R. 479, correcting, retroactively, any situation arising under income-tax law upon death of a member of armed forces (S. Rept. 711);

H. R. 3546, permitting retired armed service personnel to represent ex-service organizations before VA (S. Rept. 712);

H. R. 3613, removing certain tax features in cases of bond transfers, stock loans, and stamp taxes (S. Rept. 713);

H. R. 4257, extending time for filing claims for credit of war losses (S. Rept. 714);

H. R. 3862, authorizing FSA to grant land to Montgomery County, Pa., for courthouse (S. Rept. 715);

H. R. 3395, adding certain lands to Modoc National Forest, Calif. (S. Rept. 716);

H. R. 452, amending AAA relating to marketing agreements and orders (S. Rept. 717);

H. R. 1826, making it a petty offense to enter any national forest land closed to the public (S. Rept. 718);

H. R. 4110, amending title 1 of Bankhead-Jones Act, relative to land-grant colleges (S. Rept. 719);

H. R. 4124, amending AAA relative to peanut quotas (S. Rept. 720);

S. 1082, allowing credits to certain postal employees for establishing promotion eligibility (S. Rept. 721);

H. R. 2776, constructing toll bridge across Rio Grande (S. Rept. 722);

Private Bills: Sixteen private bills: S. 641, H. R. 618, 1316, S. 1235, H. R. 1736, S. 1707, H. R. 642, 1085, 1648, 1791, 2432, 2534, 2811, 3845, 1534, 1730 (S. Repts. 723-732, 734-739, respectively);

H. R. 1810, to enable part-time referees in bankruptcy to act as attorneys against United States (S. Rept. 733);

S. 1529, bridge across Ohio at Shawneetown, Ill. (S. Rept. 740);

S. 1602, bridge bill relative to Delaware River Joint Toll Bridge Commission (S. Rept. 741);

H. R. 4111, authorizing construction of flood-control works in Little Sioux River, Iowa (S. Rept. 742);

S. 1696, extending district court jurisdiction of Hawaii (S. Rept. 743);

H. R. 3874, transferring Farm Island to S. Dak. (S. Rept. 744);

S. J. Res. 110, to relocate McMillan Fountain (S. Rept. 745);

H. R. 4127, to liberalize annuities and benefits for Federal employees (S. Rept. 746);

S. 1720, to increase amount of mortgage insurance authorized under NHA, and to authorize insurance of mortgages of surplus permanent war housing (S. Rept. 747);

S. Res. 148, to provide \$25,000 for the Committee on Public Lands to hold hearings and conduct investigations (no written rept.);

S. Res. 152, to provide \$30,000 for the Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments for its Subcommittee on Governmental Relationship (no written rept.);

S. Res. 153, to provide \$50,000 for the Small Business Committee and extend its authority until October 31, 1948 (no written rept.);

S. Con. Res. 19, to provide \$25,000 for the Joint Committee on the Economic Report for two of its subcommittees to study prices of consumer goods (no written rept.);

S. Con. Res. 25, to provide \$50,000 for a joint committee to investigate entire housing field (no written rept.);

S. Con. Res. 26, to authorize attendance of Members of Congress at Empire Parliamentary Assn. meeting (no written rept.);

S. Res. 120, to provide \$25,000 for Committee on the Judiciary to make investigations in pursuance of section 134 of Reorganization Act (no written rept.);

S. Res. 147, to provide \$15,000 for the Committee on Agriculture and Forestry to study agricultural problems and trends (no written rept.);

H. R. 4010, International Organizations Procurement Act of 1947 (no written rept.);

Six bills relating to Indian tribes: S. 1133, S. 1698, H. R. 3064, H. R. 3325, H. R. 3696, H. R. 2793 (S. Repts. 748, 749, 750, 751, 752, 755, respectively);

H. R. 3834, rehabilitation of Ft. Sumner irrigation district (S. Rept. 753);

S. 1564, to authorize issuance of stamps to commemorate movement to Oregon country (S. Rept. 754).

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Bills Referred: The following House-passed bills were referred to committees indicated: H. R. 3546 (Committee on Armed Services); H. R. 3613 and 4308 (Committee on Finance); H. R. 3682 and H. Con. Res. 54 (Committee on Labor and Public Welfare); H. J. Res. 218 (Committee on Rules and Administration); H. R. 4347 (Committee on Appropriations).

(For passage in House, see Digest, pp. D423, D429.)

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D. C. Rent: Senate agreed to conference report on H. R. 3131, D. C. rent-control extension, thus clearing measure for President.

Pages 9907-9908

Government Corporations: H. R. 4268, making appropriation of 35½ million dollars for the National Housing Agency, and providing limitations on the RFC and its subsidiaries, was passed on call of the Calendar, without amendment, and sent to the President.

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Minerals: H. R. 3022, to promote development of ore, gas, and other minerals on United States lands under Department of Interior, was passed and a companion bill, S. 1081, was indefinitely postponed.

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Navy School: H. R. 1341, to authorize a Navy post-graduate school at Monterey, was passed and a similar bill, S. 229, indefinitely postponed.

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Coinage: Senator Fulbright's motion to reconsider 6 coinage bills (S. 1614, 1304, 1042, 722, 342, and S. J. Res. 48) was withdrawn, thus sending the bills to House.

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Independent Offices: Conference report on H. R. 3839, independent offices appropriations bill, was adopted, clearing the bill for President.

Pages 9939-9941, 9942-9943

Military Establishment: Conference report on S. 758, National Military Establishment, was approved.

Pages 9912-9920, 9923

Pay-Roll Tax: Conference report on H. R. 3818, freezing pay-roll tax at 1 percent until 1950, was adopted, clearing bill for President.

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Bills Passed: On call of the Calendar, 23 bills were passed as follows:

Alcoholics: H. R. 2659, establishing a clinic for chronic alcoholism cases (asked for conference and appointed conferees: Senators Buck, Cooper, Johnston of South Carolina);

Undertakers: H. R. 2173, licensing of undertakers and embalmers (conferees: Senators Cooper, Holland, and Johnston of South Carolina);

Deeds Recorder: H. R. 3045, placing Recorder of Deeds under direction of D. C. Commissioners;

Prisoners: S. 1648, to authorize expenditures of income from Federal Industries, Inc., for training of Federal prisoners;

Newsprint: H. J. Res. 238, to import 15-inch newsprint paper tax free (conferees: Senators Millikin, Taft, and George);

Excise Taxes: H. R. 4069, to provide termination of a number of war and emergency statutory provisions related to internal revenue and customs (conferees: Senators Millikin, Taft, and George);

Fishing: H. R. 859, authorizing study of fisheries in the tropical and subtropical Pacific Ocean;

Life Saving Service: H. R. 2054, increasing retirement pay for certain members of the former Life Saving Service;

Vessel Register: H. R. 1238, authorizing Canadian vessels to service Hyder, Alaska;

Transportation: H. R. 673, repealing authority to establish priorities in transportation by merchant vessels;

Geodetic: H. R. 3541, relating to the duties of the Coast and Geodetic Survey;

Lands: Two bills on lands: H. R. 3619, 3043;

Scientific Service: H. R. 4084, creating additional positions in professional and scientific service in the War and Navy Departments;

D. C. Insurance: H. R. 1633, D. C. insurance bill;

Dental: S. 176, to aid in coordinating dental research and to establish a National Institute of Dental Research;

CAA: H. R. 2109, to amend the CAA Act of 1938 relative to through rates;

Family Quarters: S. 1116, regarding construction of family quarters for members of the Army;

RFC: S. 1543, to authorize RFC to make GI housing loans;

Power: S. 1305, defining notice requirements before public lands reserved as power sites are declared open to location for entry;

Coast Guard: H. R. 72, increasing authorization for Coast Guard aviation stations;

Medical: H. R. 1714, to exclude certain interns, student nurses, and others employed in Federal hospitals from Classification Act;

Post Office: S. 1064, to simplify accounting procedure with respect to postal field travel expenses; and

Private Bill: S. 1721, for relief of G. R. Below.

Of the above House-passed bills, the following 11 were cleared for the President: H. R. 1633, 2109, 2054, 1238, 673, 3541, 3619, 4084, 1714, 72, 3043.

Pages 9908-9912, 9920-9929

Civil Functions: War Dept. civil functions appropriations bill (H. R. 4002) was passed 78 yeas to 5 nays, after defeating a motion by Senator Dworshak, 15 yeas to 67 nays, to recommit it to Committee on Appropriations with instructions to reduce amount appropriated by 100 million dollars. Earlier, committee amendments had been adopted together with four amendments by Senator Gurney relating to specific projects. A motion to suspend rules to permit consideration of amendment by Senator Ives on Fire Island Inlet, N. Y., was defeated 42 yeas to 34 nays (two-thirds required). As passed, bill carries a total of \$539,927,449. A conference was asked of House, and following Senators named conferees: Gurney, Brooks, Ferguson, Wherry, Bridges, Revercomb, Thomas of Oklahoma, Overton, and Russell.

Pages 9944-9952, 9971-9981

Missouri Election: Senator George moved to postpone until January 3, 1948, further consideration of motion to take up S. Res. 150, to discharge Judiciary Committee from further consideration of S. Res. 116, investigation of Missouri election. (Senator George's motion was entered for purpose of taking up H. R. 2181, institutional on-farm training for veterans.) The motion of Senator George was later laid on table by motion of Senator Ferguson, 45 yeas to 30 nays. Before this motion was tabled, an appeal by Senator McCarran from decision of Chair that each Senator was not required to answer to his name on recapitulation of a quorum call, was rejected by 46 yeas to 25 nays. Later, Senator McCarran asked that the legislative clerk read the hearings of the Judiciary Committee on this case, which was defeated 30 yeas to 41 nays.

Pages 9982-9988, 9988-10026

Supplemental Appropriations: H. R. 4269, supplemental appropriation bill, was considered. (See Digest, p. D432, for passage of bill.) Pages 10026-10030

Solicitor General: Minority views on nomination of Philip B. Perlman, to be Solicitor General (Executive Rept. 10) were filed. Page 10031

Nominations: Senate received 22 Army nominations. Page 10031

Recess: Senate recessed at 6:12 a. m., July 25, completing its session started at 12 noon, July 24, to reconvene at noon July 25.

Reports on Committee Meetings

HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: Reported S. 1720, to increase amount of mortgage insurance authorized under title 6 of NHA, and to authorize insurance of mortgages of surplus permanent war housing under that title.

CIVIL SERVICE RETIREMENT AND LOYALTY BILL

Committee on Civil Service: In executive session, the committee reported, with amendment, H. R. 4127, to amend the Civil Service Retirement Act of 1935 to liberalize annuities and benefits for Federal employees. Further consideration of H. R. 3813, Federal employees loyalty bill, was postponed. Full committee meets again tomorrow (July 25).

BANKRUPTCY, NOMINATIONS, DP'S, AND PRIVATE BILLS

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee approved the following nominations: Philip L. Rice, to be judge of the Fifth Circuit Court, Hawaii, and Charles M. Eldridge, to be United States marshal for Rhode Island. Nomination of Herbert W. Christenberry, to be judge

for the eastern district of Louisiana, was considered but action postponed.

The following 15 private bills were approved: S. 641, 1235, 1707, H. R. 618, 642, 1085, 1316, 1534, 1648, 1730, 1791, 2432, 2534, 2811, and 3845.

H. R. 1810, to enable part-time referees in bankruptcy to act as attorneys for claimants against United States, was approved.

It was agreed that Senator Revercomb would offer an amendment to S. Res. 137, to make a complete investigation of our immigration system, when it is considered on the Senate floor, to include a study of displaced persons and connected problems; the report to be made by January 10, 1948.

Committee approved, with amendment, S. J. Res. 37, to proclaim February 1 as National Freedom Day.

EDIBLE FOODS

Committee on Public Lands: National Resources Economic Subcommittee, studying edible farm products; heard the following witnesses discuss food production and distribution by the various countries of the world: Col. W. W. Harris, Relief Supply Div., and Maj. Gordon Fraser, Food and Agricultural Section, both of War Dept.; and Dr. D. A. Fitzgerald, Sec. General of International Emergency Food Council.

On Tuesday, the following witnesses discussed production of liquid fuels from agricultural products: Asst. Sec. of Agriculture Chas. F. Brannon; O. V. Wells, BAE; Carl F. Speh, Bureau of Agricultural and Industrial Chemistry, both of Dept. of Agriculture; Chancellor R. G. Gustavson, Univ. of Nebraska; and J. L. Welch, Green Exchange of Omaha.

FLOOD CONTROL AND BRIDGES

Committee on Public Works: The following three bills were approved: H. R. 4111, authorizing construction of flood-control works in Little Sioux River, Iowa, and two bridge bills, with amendment, S. 1602 and S. 1529.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Twenty-five public bills, H. R. 4347-4371; thirteen private bills, H. R. 4372-4384; and seven resolutions, H. Res. 326-330; H. J. Res. 251; and H. Con. Res. 111. Pages 10078, 10099-10100

Bills Reported: Bills and resolutions were reported as follows:

Disposal of certain executive papers (H. Rept. 1050); Conference report on S. 758, National Security Act of 1947 (H. Rept. 1051);

H. R. 4347, second supplemental appropriation bill for 1948 (H. Rept. 1053);

H. R. 4331, private claim bill (H. Rept. 1054);

H. R. 3016, furnishing stenographic assistance in offices of recognized organizations presenting claims before the Veterans' Administration (H. Rept. 1055);

H. R. 3899, eliminating extensive information in manifests of steamship companies regarding persons arriving in and leaving this country (H. Rept. 1056);

S. J. Res. 117, providing for acceptance of ILO constitution by United States (H. Rept. 1057);

H. J. Res. 246, issuing stamp series commemorative of the 100th anniversary of the poultry industry in this country (H. Rept. 1058);

H. R. 4177, private relief bill (H. Rept. 1059);

H. R. 4070, making effective parts of peace treaties with Italy, Bulgaria, Hungary, and Rumania, relating to patents (H. Rept. 1060);

H. R. 3875, congressional approval of interstate compact relating to control of pollution in the waters of the New England States (H. Rept. 1062);

H. R. 4326, extending period within which petitions may be filed under the Bankruptcy Act (H. Rept. 1063);

H. R. 3778, establishing record evidence of oath of office by a Member of the House (H. Rept. 1064);

Pamphlet entitled "Safety in Air Navigation" from Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce (H. Rept. 1065);

H. R. 4140, congressional consent to compact between Pennsylvania and New Jersey concerning Delaware River Joint Toll Bridge Commission (H. Rept. 1066);

H. R. 4244, acquisition of specially adapted housing for certain veterans for reason of service-connected disabilities (H. Rept. 1067);

H. R. 3748, increasing compensation rates paid to surviving widows, children, and dependent parents of deceased veterans of both World Wars (H. Rept. 1068);

H. R. 1335, providing compensation for service-connected disabilities incurred in peacetime service (H. Rept. 1069);

H. R. 3565, providing loans for construction of low- and medium-cost homes for veterans (H. Rept. 1070);

H. R. 4160, amending National Service Life Insurance Act to authorize waiver of premiums for continuous total disability of the insured (H. Rept. 1071).

Reports from the Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments entitled "Investigation of the State Department" (H. Rept. 1072); and

"Investigation of Participation of Federal Officials of War Department in Publicity and Propaganda as It Relates to Universal Military Training" (H. Rept. 1073);

Conference report on S. 1361, to amend USHA to permit capital grants for low-rent housing and slum clearance (H. Rept. 1074);

Conference report on S. J. Res. 148, to provide for continuation of Consumer Credit Regulation W for 6 months (H. Rept. 1075); and

S. 1070, to provide for cancellation of capital stock of FDIC (H. Rept. 1076).

Pages 10044, 10062, 10099

New Member: Edward A. Garmatz was sworn in as Representative from the Third Congressional District of Maryland. Pages 10048-10049

Conference Reports: The following conference reports were adopted by the House and sent to the Senate:

Independent Offices: H. R. 3839 (H. Rept. 1049), independent offices appropriation bill for 1948.

Social Security: H. R. 3818 (H. Rept. 1052), freezing social security tax rates.

Government Corporations: H. R. 3756 (H. Rept. 1061), Government corporations and independent executive agencies appropriations bill for 1948.

Agriculture Appropriations: H. R. 3601 (H. Rept. 1036), Agriculture Department appropriations for 1948.

Pages 10040-10042, 10045, 10062-10069, 10069-10078

Presidential Veto: Received veto of H. R. 2306, private claim bill, which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. Pages 10039-10040

Presidential Signature: Completed all legislative action on the following bills:

Subsidies: H. R. 3738, relative to certain subsidy payments to nonprocessing slaughterers. Pages 10044-10045

HOLC: H. R. 2800, liberalizing provisions of loans made by Federal savings and loan associations. Pages 10044-10045

Mining: H. R. 3022, to promote and encourage development of ore, gas, and other minerals on acquired United States lands. Page 10061

2d Supplemental Appropriation: Passed H. R. 4347 (H. Rept. 1053), the second supplemental appropriation bill for 1948, supplying \$100,059,200 to sundry executive, legislative, and independent agencies of the Government. This amount is \$120,810,900 under the Budget estimates for this appropriation. Pages 10046-10061

Committee Elections: The following committee-election resolutions were agreed to:

H. Res. 328, electing Representative Burleson, of Texas, to the Joint Committee on Printing.

H. Res. 329, electing Representative Jackson of Washington to the Committee on Appropriations. Page 10078

Housing: Agreed to H. Con. Res. 104, establishing the Joint Committee on Housing, which will investigate entire field of national housing problems. Pages 10078-10084

Bills Referred: The following Senate-passed bills were referred to the committees indicated: S. 1026 and 1505 (Agriculture); S. 229, 1215, 1252, 1581, 1633, 1641, and 1661 (Armed Services); S. 1154 (Banking and Currency); S. 1590 (District of Columbia); S. 1582 (Expenditures in the Executive Departments); S. J. Res. 46 and S. 1574 (Foreign Affairs); S. 192, 257, 521, 535, 795, 939, 970, 1181, and 1463 (Judiciary); S. 999, 1188, 1416, 1426, and 1562 (Post Office and Civil Service); S. 1006, 1507, and 1639 (Public Lands); S. 1236 (Veterans' Affairs); S. 1014 (Ways and Means). (For passage in Senate, see Digest, pp. D419-421.) Page 10098

Reports on Committee Meetings**FDIC STOCK**

Committee on Banking and Currency: Met in executive session and ordered favorably reported to the House, with amendments, S. 1070, to provide for the cancellation of the capital stock of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation and the refund of moneys received for such stock, and for other purposes.

D. C. HOME RULE

Committee on the District of Columbia: Subcommittee on Home Rule and Reorganization held hearings on the problem of self-supporting boards and commissions, and heard Hon. John Russell Young, chairman, Commission on Licensure, Healing Arts; Harvey L. Miller, chairman, Boxing Commission; Edward A. Dent, chairman, Real Estate Commission; and Alice Stone, president, Nurses' Examining Board, all of whom testified on whether or not their agencies should continue to subsist on their own fees rather than be incorporated in the District budget and appropriation act. Hearings will be continued.

FEDERAL OFFICE SPACE

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Subcommittee on Procurement and Buildings held hearings on procurement and use of Federal office building space in Washington, D. C., and heard W. E. Reynolds, Commissioner of Public Buildings, who testified on the leasing, construction, and use of Federal office buildings.

UNITED NATIONS

Committee on Foreign Affairs: In executive session S. J. Res. 13, Convention on the Privileges and Immunities of the United Nations; and S. J. Res. 144, United Nations Headquarters Agreement, were considered by Subcommittee No. 6 and by the full committee.

SAFETY IN AIR

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Full committee met in executive session to discuss future program of committee. Filing of the report on Safety in Air Navigation was authorized.

JUDICIAL LEGISLATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Met in executive session and voted to favorably report to the House the following bills: H. R. 4326, extends section 75 of the Bankruptcy Act (farm mortgage section); H. R. 3930, amends wage earners section of Bankruptcy Act to give relief to persons secondarily liable (amended); H. R. 3778, changes procedure for administering oath of office to Members of House of Representatives (amended); H. R. 3899, extends provisions requiring masters, etc., of vessels to furnish to immigration officers lists of alien passengers arriving at or departing from ports of the United States

or its insular possessions to include United States citizens or aliens in the lists and to make requirements applicable to aircraft (amended); H. R. 4070, carries into effect certain parts relating to patents of the treaties of peace with Italy, Bulgaria, Hungary, and Rumania, ratified by the Senate on June 5, 1947 (amended). The committee also ordered favorably reported to the House H. R. 4177 and H. R. 4331, both private bills. The committee voted not to report H. J. Res. 200.

ALASKA

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Subcommittee on Alaska Problems held hearings on Alaska shipping and heard Commissioners W. W. Smith and Richard Parkhurst, of the Maritime Commission; Ira Ewers, Alaska Steamship Co.; Gerald D. Morgan, Alaska Transportation Co.; Seth Levine, CIO Maritime Committee; Capt. John Y. Dannenberg, Navy Department; Jas. T. Flacne, Division of Territories, Interior Department; and Frank McKee, San Francisco Chamber of Commerce.

COMMEMORATIVE STAMP—CIVIL SERVICE

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Met in executive session and ordered favorably reported to the House the following: H. J. Res. 246, to authorize the issuance of a special series of stamps commemorative of the 100th anniversary of the poultry industry in the United States; H. R. 4236, to amend the Civil Service Act to remove certain discrimination with respect to the appointment of persons having any physical handicap to positions in the classified civil service; and S. 1324, to amend the Civil Service Retirement Act so as to make such act applicable to the officers and employees of the National Library for the Blind.

UTAH INDIANS

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Indian Affairs held hearings on S. 1698, to define the exterior boundary of the Uintah and Ouray Indian Reservation in the State of Utah, and heard Representative Dawson of Utah; John Boydon, counsel for the Indians in Utah; Hugh Colton, representing the livestock interests, all of whom appeared in favor of the bill; William Zimmerman, Commissioner of Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior, who testified regarding the Indian problems and on the functions of the Indian Bureau; and Warner W. Gardner, Assistant Secretary of the Interior. Subcommittee ordered the bill, without amendments, favorably reported to the full committee.

POLLUTION—N. J.-DEL. TOLL BRIDGE—BEACH EROSION

Committee on Public Works: Met in executive session and ordered favorably reported to the House H. R. 3875, granting consent of Congress to an interstate compact relating to control of pollution in waters of the New England States; and H. R. 4140, with amendment,

granting consent of Congress to agreement between Pennsylvania and New Jersey concerning Delaware River Joint Toll Bridge Commission.

Subcommittee on Beach Erosion met on H. R. 4301, a bill amending the existing law on beach erosion, and heard Colonel Hall, Chief, Army Engineers Beach Erosion Staff; and discussed the advisability of asking the Army Engineers for a complete report on beach erosion. A special meeting will be called after Congress adjourns, with the idea of formulating an over-all program and asking the Bureau of the Budget and the President to include an appropriation for beach erosion in his next message to Congress on appropriations.

COMMUNISM

Committee on Un-American Activities: Continued hearings on the general subject of communism and heard Mike Beresick and Joseph Julianelle, both of Bridgeport, Conn., who testified as to infiltration of Communists into United Electrical Radio & Machine Workers of America Union. Hearings will be continued.

**REPORT ON JOINT COMMITTEE MEETINGS
GOVERNMENT CORPORATIONS**

Conferees on H. R. 3756, Government corporations appropriation bill, reached agreement and filed a report (H. Rept. 1061).

ECONOMIC CONDITIONS AND INVESTIGATIONS

Joint Committee on the Economic Report: In executive session, it was agreed that regional investigations of price situation would be conducted beginning about Sept. 15 by subcommittees of the full committee. Program ahead, committee reports, and the President's Midyear Economic Report were discussed.

HIGHLIGHTS

- Several bills cleared for President, including military appropriations, terminal leave, and housing.
- Senate passed various bills, including appropriations and veterans' measures.
- House passed 14 investigatory resolutions and 35 bills.
- NLRB nominations and several bills approved by Senate groups.
- Universal military training bill ordered reported to House.

Senate**Chamber Action**

Routine Proceedings, pages 10104-10108.

Bills Introduced: Seventeen bills and seven resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1725-1741; S. J. Res. 154-155; S. Con. Res. 31; and S. Res. 157-160.

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PAY-ROLL TAXES

Conferees on H. R. 3818, amending the Federal Insurance Contribution Act, freezing pay-roll taxes, agreed to file a conference report on the bill providing for freezing pay-roll taxes at 1 percent for 2 years through December 31, 1949, 1½ percent for 2 years through December 31, 1951, and at 2 percent thereafter. The House conferees receded from its amendment on Federal Unemployment Account, and agreed to Senate version of extension for 2 years (H. Rept. 1052).

CONSUMER CREDIT

Conferees on S. J. Res. 148, consumer credit regulation, agreed to file a report which accepts the House version terminating regulations on consumer credit, but postpones effective date until November 1, 1947 (H. Rept. 1075).

BILLS SIGNED BY THE PRESIDENT

(New Laws)

(For last listing of Public Laws, see p. D425)

H. R. 1888, to incorporate AMVETS. Signed July 23, 1947 (P. L. 216);

H. R. 2167, to include within Angostura unit of Missouri Basin project certain lands owned by the United States. Signed July 23, 1947 (P. L. 217);

H. R. 2746, to provide secretaries for circuit and district judges. Signed July 23, 1947 (P. L. 218);

H. R. 3494, to establish permanent commissioned Coast Guard personnel strength. Signed July 23, 1947 (P. L. 219);

H. R. 3958, to extend time for filing applications for patents and taking action in Patent Office with respect thereto. Signed July 23, 1947 (P. L. 220);

H. R. 205, granting citizenship to Metlakatla Indians of Alaska. Signed July 23, 1947 (P. L. 221).

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H. R. 3332, creating the St. Lawrence Bridge Commission (S. Rept. 758);

H. J. Res. 218, providing for observance of founding of Reading, Pa. (no written rept.);

S. Res. 156, increasing by \$25,000 the limit of expenditures for Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce (no written rept.);

Two private bills: S. 1431 and H. R. 890 (S. Repts. 759, 762, respectively);

S. 468, relative to Dramatic Order Knights of Khorasan (S. Rept. 760);

S. J. Res. 37, to proclaim Feb. 1 National Freedom Day (S. Rept. 761);

H. R. 3690, to amend Federal Tort Claims Act (S. Rept. 763);

S. 1302, to aid youth in athletic and sports programs by making surplus products available (S. Rept. 764);

S. 1632, to transfer railway kitchen cars to War Dept. (S. Rept. 765);

H. R. 4308, relative to acceptance of decorations, medals, etc. (S. Rept. 766);

H. R. 4347, making supplemental appropriations (S. Rept. 767);

H. R. 3632, to extend time for applications to Railroad Retirement Board for refunds from Unemployment Trust Fund (S. Rept. 768);

H. R. 3682, to extend period providing assistance to war-incurred school enrollments (S. Rept. 769); and

H. R. 3870, to authorize expenditures by Saint Elizabeths Hospital (S. Rept. 770). Pages 10104-10105, 10169

Bills Referred: The following House-passed bills were referred to committees indicated: H. R. 4326 (Committee on the Judiciary); H. J. Res. 245 (Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce); and H. R. 4140 (Calendar).

(For passage in House, see Digest, pp. D435, D436.)

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National Defense: S. Res. 160, permitting the Special Committee to investigate the National Defense Program to make reports during the recess, was passed.

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Supplemental Appropriation: H. R. 4269, supplemental appropriation bill, was passed carrying a total of \$1,680,793,697, which is under the 1948 estimates by \$244,890,125, and compares with the House-approved figure of \$1,603,199,094. The following amendments were adopted: Senator McCarran's authorizing \$33,300 for the Boulder Canyon project; on motion of Senator Ball, committee amendments were disagreed to for \$201,100 for USES and \$1,460,000 for the Farm Placement Service, \$15,000 for contingent expenses, and \$7,500 for the printing and binding for the Dept. of Labor. Previously, a motion by Senator Ball to suspend the rule, to permit him to offer an amendment to provide \$1,350,000 for the farm labor supply program,

had failed, as did a committee amendment which would have barred payment of salaries of unconfirmed NLRB members and general counsel. Time for filing protest on price orders, administered by the Department of Commerce, was increased from 60 to 120 days on motion of Senator Ball; provision also was made for housing for United States Representative at U. N. A conference was asked of the House and the following conferees appointed: Senators Ball, Brooks, Ferguson, Cordon, McKellar, Hayden, and Tydings.

Pages 10109-10120

Veto Messages: Received veto messages on S. 403 and S. 484, granting patents in fee, which were referred to the Committee on Public Lands.

Pages 10107-10108

Foreign Service: President pro tempore appointed Senators Hatch and Lodge as members of the Foreign Service Institute Advisory Committee.

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Government Corporations: Conference report on H. R. 3756, Government corporations appropriations bill, was rejected 1 yeas to 83 nays.

Pages 10121-10127

Military Appropriations: Senate agreed to conference report and cleared for President H. R. 3678, Military Establishment appropriation bill.

Pages 10139-10140

Crop Insurance—Fish and Game: Following two bills were sent to conference: S. 1326, amending generally Federal Crop Insurance Act, with Senators Aiken, Bushfield, Young, Ellender, and Stewart as conferees; and H. R. 2857, to extend second-class mailing privilege to State conservation bulletins, with Senators Langer, Buck, and McKellar as conferees.

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Treasury Officials: House amendments to S. 1350, for relief of disbursing officers of Treasury, were agreed to and bill cleared for President.

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Veterans Farm Training: Senate passed, by voice vote, with amendments, H. R. 2181, relating to institutional on-farm training for veterans, after rejecting by 31 yeas to 45 nays a motion by Senator Taft to recommit the bill to Committee on Labor and Public Welfare for further study. After adopting committee amendments, an amendment by Senator Lodge to prohibit discrimination against operation of bill in certain States and one by Senator Morse to put farm training on equal basis as on-the-job industrial training were adopted.

Pages 10128-10137, 10141-10144

Veteran Allowances: S. 1393, increasing allowances for on-the-job veteran training, was passed by voice vote after a motion by Senator Taft to recommit it to Committee on Labor and Public Welfare was defeated 20 yeas to 57 nays.

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Weapons: Conference Report on H. R. 493, regulating carrying of firearms in D. C., was adopted.

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Claim: House amendments to H. R. 2389, private relief bill, were disagreed to and the following conferees appointed: Senators Moore, Cooper, and Kilgore.

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Housing: Conference report on S. 1361, housing bill, was adopted, clearing bill for President.

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Shipping: Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce was discharged from further consideration of H. J. Res. 245, authorizing employment of aliens on American ships (amending P. L. 27-80th), and passed.

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Philippines: House amendments to S. 1020, amending Philippine Rehabilitation Act, were disagreed to and the following Senators appointed conferees: Cordon, Butler, Malone, Downey, and McFarland.

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Sugar: H. R. 4075, establishing sugar quotas, was passed by voice vote and sent to the President. Earlier the motion of Senator Chavez to delete the section permitting Sec. of State to withhold increased quotas from any country not giving equitable treatment to United States nationals, was rejected 40 yeas to 42 nays. Committee amendment authorizing Sec. of Agriculture to make certain determinations on domestic sugar quotas was defeated by voice vote.

Pages 10148-10159

Consumer Credit, Taxes, and Newsprint: Senate agreed to conference report on the following three bills and cleared them for President: S. J. Res. 148, to continue control of consumer credit (Reg. W) until November 1, 1947; H. R. 4069, termination of certain excise tax provisions; and H. J. Res. 238, to import 15-inch newsprint paper tax free.

Pages 10176, 10184

Bills Passed: On call of the Calendar, 16 bills were passed as follows, of which 8 were cleared for President: H. R. 4257, 3546, 2776, 2534, 642, 2432, 1648, and 1791:

Tax: H. R. 479, correcting, retroactively, any situation arising under income tax law upon death of a member of armed forces;

War Losses: H. R. 4257, extending time for filing claims for credit of war losses;

Veterans: H. R. 3546, permitting retired armed service personnel to represent ex-service organization before VA;

Bridge: H. R. 2776, constructing toll bridge across Rio Grande;

Private Bills: Five private bills (H. R. 2534, 642, 2432, 1648, and 1791);

Postal Service: S. 1082, allowing credits to certain postal employees for establishing promotion eligibility;

Housing: S. 1720, to increase amount of mortgage insurance authorized under NHA, and to authorize insurance of mortgages of surplus permanent war housing;

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Parliamentary Ass'n: H. Con. Res. 110, to authorize attendance of Members of Congress at Empire Parliamentary Ass'n meeting;

Committee Expenditures: S. Res. 152, to provide \$30,000 for Committee on Expenditures in Executive Depts. for its Subcommittee on Governmental Relationship;

Judiciary Committee: S. Res. 120, to provide \$25,000 for Committee on the Judiciary to make investigations and hold hearings;

Public Lands: S. Res. 148, to provide \$25,000 for the Committee on Public Lands to hold hearings and conduct investigations; and

Housing: H. Con. Res. 104, to provide \$50,000 for a joint committee to investigate entire housing field (sent to conference and Senators Bricker, Cain, McCarthy, Sparkman, and Maybank appointed as conferees).

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Nominations: Received 7 nominations for Army Reserve Corps generals and 6 appointments in the Navy.

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Reports on Committee Meetings

SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION

Committee on Appropriations: After hearing numerous witnesses on H. R. 4347, second supplemental appropriations bill, and marking it up, the bill was reported.

ARMED SERVICE BILLS

Committee on Armed Services: The following bills were approved: S. 1302, surplus athletic equipment; and S. 1632, to transfer troop kitchen cars from RFC to War Dept. S. 230, airfield at Naval Academy, was postponed for further study. The committee also agreed to ask that the War Dept. report not later than January 15, 1948, on property which it is planned to declare surplus. Sundry Army nominations were approved.

DISTRICT JUDGE

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee met again with Roy Harper, to consider his nomination to be United States district judge in Missouri.

IMMIGRATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee met on deportation of Paul Knauer and William Gerald Bishop and heard Senator Langer, an official of the Dept. of Justice, and two N. Y. attorneys.

NRLB APPOINTMENTS

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: By a vote of 10 to 3, the nominations of Abe Murdock, and J. Copeland Gray, to be members of the NLRB, were approved. The nomination of Robert N. Denham, to be general counsel, was unanimously approved.

The following bills were approved: H. R. 3632, extending time for refunds from Unemployment Trust Fund of Railroad Retirement Board; H. R. 3682, providing 5 million dollars assistance for overburdened school facilities of war-industry areas; and H. R. 3870, authorizing certain expenditures from appropriation of St. Elizabeths Hospital.

MINING PRACTICES

Committee on Public Lands: National Resources Economic Subcommittee heard testimony from Gordon

Jones, Canadian Congress of Mining, on SEC practices and policies on capital investments in mining enterprises.

COMMITTEE EXPENDITURES

Committee on Rules and Administration: Reported the following two measures: S. Res. 156, to provide an additional \$25,000 for Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce for cost of hearings and investigation; and H. J. Res. 218, observance of 200th anniversary of Reading, Pa.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Thirteen public bills, H. R. 4385-4397; six private bills, H. R. 4398-4403; and nineteen resolutions, H. Res. 331-343, H. J. Res. 252-253, and H. Con. Res. 112-115, were introduced.

Pages 10210, 10283-10284

Bills Reported: Bills and resolutions were reported as follows:

H. R. 4236, preventing discrimination against physically handicapped persons in the Federal Civil Service (H. Rept. 1092);

S. J. Res. 144, authorizing President to effect agreement between United States and the United Nations (H. Rept. 1093);

H. R. 612, constructing a research laboratory at Boston, Mass. (H. Rept. 1094);

H. R. 3930, requiring creditors to accept plan for future payment of debts by insolvent wage earners (H. Rept. 1096);

S. 1324, extending Civil Service retirement benefits to employees of the National Library for the Blind (H. Rept. 1098);

Conference report on H. R. 3045, establishing a Recorder of Deeds in the District of Columbia (H. Rept. 1099);

H. R. 221, amending the Interstate Commerce Act relating to certain agreements between carriers (H. Rept. 1100);

Interim report entitled "Small Independent Mines" (H. Rept. 1101);

Pamphlet entitled "Federal Barge Lines" (H. Rept. 1102);

Conference report on H. R. 2173, licensing of D. C. embalmers (H. Rept. 1103);

Conference report on H. R. 2659, establishing a D. C. clinic for chronic alcoholism cases (H. Rept. 1104); and

H. R. 4395, amending National Housing Act relative to mortgage insurance (H. Rept. 1105).

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Investigatory Resolutions: The following resolutions from the Committee on House Administration were reported, considered, and agreed to:

H. Res. 317 (H. Rept. 1077), appropriating \$25,000 to the Committee on Agriculture to study food shortages and demands, and rinderpest control.

H. Res. 303 (H. Rept. 1078), appropriating \$25,000 to the Committee on Armed Services to conduct investigations into matters coming under "common defense generally."

H. Res. 259 (H. Rept. 1079), appropriating \$30,000 to the Committee on Public Works to conduct surveys of certain works of improvement.

H. Res. 331 (H. Rept. 1080), appropriating \$125,000 to the Committee on Foreign Affairs to conduct studies of all matters of foreign policy.

H. Res. 332 (H. Rept. 1081), appropriating \$125,000 to the Select Committee on Foreign Aid to study economic aid to Europe.

H. Res. 333 (H. Rept. 1082), appropriating \$10,000 to the Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments, to study matters under its jurisdiction.

H. Res. 334 (H. Rept. 1083), further appropriating \$15,000 to the Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments.

H. Res. 335 (H. Rept. 1084), appropriating \$25,000 to the Committee on Education and Labor to study matters under its jurisdiction.

H. Res. 264 (H. Rept. 1085), authorizing printing of 2,500 copies of H. Doc. 46 (80th Cong.), prepared by Advisory Committee on Rules of Civil Procedure.

H. Res. 207 (H. Rept. 1086), further appropriating \$1,500 to the Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments.

H. Res. 297 (H. Rept. 1087), appropriating \$25,000 to the Committee on Ways and Means for expenses of study of internal revenue laws.

H. Res. 336 (H. Rept. 1088), granting additional pay increases to House employees.

H. Res. 339 (H. Rept. 1089), appropriating \$5,000 to the Committee on House Administration for study of contested election cases required by H. Res. 337 and 338, which were also agreed to.

S. J. Res. 112 (H. Rept. 1090), creating a commission to formulate plans for erection of Marine memorial in Chicago.

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Conference Reports: Adopted the following conference reports:

Unification Bill: S. 758 (H. Rept. 1051), National Security Act of 1947.

Controls: S. J. Res. 148 (H. Rept. 1075), to provide for continuation of Consumer Credit Regulation W for 6 months.

Housing: S. 1361 (H. Rept. 1074), to amend USHA to permit capital grants for low-rent housing and slum clearance.

Military Appropriations: H. R. 3678 (H. Rept. 1091), Military Establishment appropriations bill for 1948.

Newsprint: H. J. Res. 238 (H. Rept. 1095), to import 15-inch newsprint paper tax free.

War Provisions: H. R. 4069 (H. Rept. 1097), to provide termination of a number of war and emergency statutory provisions related to internal revenue and customs.

Pages 10191-10196, 10200-10203, 10232-10237, 10249-10251

Presidential Signature: Agreed to Senate amendments, completing all legislative action, on following bills:

Alaska: H. R. 174, to make possible exploration and mining of gold and other metals in streams of Alaska.

Claim: H. R. 629, a private claim bill.

Fishing: H. R. 859, authorizing study of fisheries in the tropical and subtropical Pacific Ocean.

Medical Corps: H. R. 3215, to reorganize Medical Departments of the Army and Navy.

Remains: H. R. 3394, to amend act providing for return of remains of those buried outside United States.

Leave: H. R. 3501, to provide lump-sum payments in lieu of terminal leave.

Pages 10214-10215, 10220, 10222-10223, 10232

Sent to Conference: Disagreed to Senate amendments on the following bills and agreed to conference asked:

Mail: H. R. 2857, to extend second-class mailing privilege to State conservation bulletins. Representatives Rees, Twyman, and Lyle were appointed as House conferees.

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Civil Functions: H. R. 4002, War Department civil functions appropriation bill. Representatives Engel of Michigan, Case of South Dakota, Tibbott, Kerr, Scrivner, Mahon, and Norrell were appointed as House conferees.

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Claim: H. R. 2389, a private claim bill. Representatives Jennings, Springer, and Feighan were appointed as House conferees.

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Crop Insurance: S. 1326, amending generally the Federal Crop Insurance Act. Representatives Hope, Andresen, Hill, Flannagan, and Cooley were appointed as House conferees.

Pages 10223-10229

Supplemental Appropriations: H. R. 4269, the supplemental appropriation bill for 1948. Representatives Wigglesworth, Engel of Michigan, Stefan, Case of South Dakota, Keefe, Cannon, Kerr, and Mahon were appointed as House conferees.

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Philippines: After passing S. 1020, amending the Philippine Rehabilitation Act, the bill was sent to conference with amendments still in disagreement and Representatives Vorys, Judd, Fulton, Richards, and Mansfield were appointed as House conferees.

Pages 10242-10244, 10249

Bills Referred: The following Senate-passed bills were referred to the respective committees: S. 1116 (Armed Services); S. 1042, 1304, 1543, and 1614 (Banking and Currency); S. 176 (Interstate and Foreign Commerce); S. 1648 and 1721 (Judiciary); S. 1064 (Post Office and Civil Service); and S. 1305 (Public Works).

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Bills Passed: Passed the following bills and resolutions:

Private Claims: H. R. 1650 and 4177 and S. 609 and 892.

Appointments: H. R. 2993, appointment of certain additional permanent major generals and brigadier generals.

Gettysburg Park: H. R. 3645, exchange of certain properties within Gettysburg National Military Park, Pa.

Peace Treaties: H. R. 4070, making effective parts of peace treaties with Italy, Bulgaria, Hungary, and Rumania relating to patents.

GAO Building: H. R. 4068, authorizing the Federal Works Administrator to construct a GAO building.

Land Bill: H. R. 4115, private land bill.

Toll Bridge: H. R. 4140, congressional consent to compact between Pennsylvania and New Jersey concerning Delaware River Joint Toll Bridge Commission.

Insurance Premiums: H. R. 4160, amending National Service Life Insurance Act to authorize waiver of premiums for continuous total disability of the insured.

Affairs Institute: H. R. 4168, providing for reincorporation of the Institute of Inter-American Affairs.

UN Seal: H. R. 4186, prohibiting and punishing the unauthorized use of official United Nations seal, emblem, and name.

Bankruptcy Act: H. R. 4326, extending period within which petitions may be filed under the Bankruptcy Act.

Alien Employment: H. J. Res. 245, authorizing employment of aliens upon American ships.

Cemeteries: S. 272, to utilize surplus War Department real property as national cemeteries.

Lands: S. 794, authorizing sale of Indian land in North Carolina.

Disbursing: S. 907, providing for transaction of business in event of an unfilled regional disbursing office of the Treasury Department.

FDIC: S. 1070, to provide for cancellation of capital stock of FDIC.

Crop Insurance: S. 1326, amending generally the Federal Crop Insurance Act.

Pollution: S. 1418, granting consent to New England interstate water pollution control compact.

Disbursing: S. 1350, authorizing relief of Chief Disbursing Officer, Division of Disbursements, Treasury Department.

Immigration: S. 1463, to amend section 12 of the Immigration Act of 1917.

Lands: S. 1480, public land bill.

Veterans: S. 1494, to amend Veterans' Preference Act to allow veterans to appear before Civil Service Commission for employment adjustments.

Lands: S. 1505 and 1582, affecting public lands.

Marine Band: S. 1633, to authorize Marine Band attendance at National Convention of American Legion in N. Y.

Mine Safety Code: S. J. Res. 130, establishing a code of health for safety in coal mines.

Crop Damage: H. Res. 276, authorizing Secretary of Agriculture to act to prevent crop damage by use of "2,4-D," weed killer.

Italian Property: S. J. Res. 138, providing for return of Italian property in the United States.

Committee Study: H. Res. 340, authorizing study and investigation by the Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries.

D. C. Rent Law: S. 1590, to amend D. C. rent-control law so schools and universities may recover possession of housing accommodations.

Stamps: H. J. Res. 246, issuing stamp series commemorative of the 100th anniversary of the poultry industry in this country.

Pages 10211-10223, 10229-10232, 10251-10258, 10261-10262

Wool Bill: Agreed to H. Res. 315, special rule providing for consideration of S. 1498, wool-price support bill. Completed all general debate and postponed reading of bill for amendment after completing the first paragraph.

Pages 10262-10268

Reports on Committee Meetings

FUTURE PROGRAM

Committee on Agriculture: Special subcommittee to draw up future program met in executive session on future program of the committee. Meeting will be continued.

UNIVERSAL MILITARY TRAINING

Committee on Armed Services: Met and ordered favorably reported to the House H. R. 4278, Universal Military Training, and H. R. 612, to authorize \$6,000,000 for a research laboratory in vicinity of Boston, Mass.

D. C. HOME RULE

Committee on the District of Columbia: Subcommittee on Home Rule and Reorganization concluded public hearings on home rule for the District by meeting on the problem of independent boards, commissions, and agencies and hearing James H. Flannagan, chairman, Public Utilities Commission, and A. Oliver Thornton, Deputy Recorder of Deeds, both of whom testified on the necessity of retaining their independent status; Edward E. Bailey, Jr., Superintendent of Licenses; and Albert F. Jordan, Superintendent of Insurance, were also heard on the work of their agencies.

LABOR

Committee on Education and Labor: Subcommittee on Mediation and Arbitration of Labor Disputes met in executive session and heard Representative McDonough, sponsor of H. R. 4193, to guarantee that the civil liberties of labor shall not be abridged, and H. R. 4194, to amend Labor-Management Relations Act of 1947 to equalize legal responsibilities of labor organizations and employers. Representative McDonough discussed both bills.

UN HEADQUARTERS

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Full committee met in executive session and ordered favorably reported S. J. Res. 144, United Nations Headquarters Agreement.

Subcommittee No. 5, National and International Movements, met in executive session.

FUTURE PROGRAM

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Full committee met in executive session to discuss future program of committee.

FUTURE PROGRAM

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Immigration and Naturalization met in executive session and discussed future program.

COMMUNISM

Committee on Un-American Activities: Concluded public hearings on general subject of Communism and its activities by hearing James Joseph Conroy and Salvatore Bottis of Schenectady, N. Y., both of whom testified as

to the infiltration of Communists into the locals of United Electrical & Machine Workers of America union.

TARIFF

Committee on Ways and Means: Met in executive session and adopted resolution requesting the Tariff Commission to supply certain information and summaries of commodity information.

FUTURE PROGRAM

Select Committee on Small Business: Met in executive session and worked on future program.

REPORT ON JOINT COMMITTEE MEETINGS WAR CIVIL FUNCTIONS

Conferees on H. R. 4002, War Civil Functions Appropriations, reached an agreement to file a report.

BILLS SIGNED BY THE PRESIDENT

(New Laws)

(For last listing of Public Laws, see p. D431)

H. R. 1609, to provide zoning on public lands in Alaska. Signed July 24, 1947 (P. L. 222);

H. R. 1882, to provide funds for Indian school at Walker, Minn. Signed July 24, 1947 (P. L. 223);

H. R. 3343, to authorize compensation to Alaska Game Commission for investigations. Signed July 24, 1947 (P. L. 224);

H. R. 3513, transferring the Panama Railroad pension fund to Civil Service retirement fund. Signed July 24, 1947 (P. L. 225);

H. R. 4011, amending Federal unemployment tax, permitting certain voluntary contributions to be used in computation of reduced rates. Signed July 24, 1947 (P. L. 226);

H. R. 734, to declare Quinault Tribe of Indians the proper party plaintiff to certain lands. Signed July 24, 1947 (P. L. 227);

H. R. 1337, to pay \$50 per capita payment to the Red Lake Band of Chippewas. Signed July 24, 1947 (P. L. 228);

H. R. 1554, to facilitate work of Alaska Road Commission in rights-of-way. Signed July 24, 1947 (P. L. 229);

H. R. 2097, on ownership and sale of timber on Northern Cheyenne Indian Reservation. Signed July 24, 1947 (P. L. 230);

H. R. 2825, to provide school facilities in 3 counties of Minnesota. Signed July 24, 1947 (P. L. 231);

H. R. 3598, giving consent to fisheries compact on Pacific coast. Signed July 24, 1947 (P. L. 232);

S. 1515, to make surplus property available for alleviation of flood damage. Signed July 25, 1947 (P. L. 233);

H. R. 187, to include air transportation for Federal employees residing in Alaska. Signed July 25, 1947 (P. L. 234);

H. R. 2225, to transfer land in Texas. Signed July 25, 1947 (P. L. 235);

H. R. 2314, relating to lump-sum payments to survivors. Signed July 25, 1947 (P. L. 236);

H. R. 4106, D. C. appropriations bill. Signed July 25, 1947 (P. L. 237);

S. 1508, to extend to June 30, 1948, intent of Congress that insurance regulations be left to States. Signed July 25, 1947 (P. L. 238);

S. J. Res. 123, to terminate certain emergency powers. Signed July 25, 1947 (P. L. 239);

H. R. 2484, relative to payments for logging of timber for Menominee Indians. Signed July 25, 1947 (P. L. 240);

H. R. 3191, to extend benefits of Missing Persons Act to Filipinos. Signed July 25, 1947 (P. L. 241).

Saturday, July 26, 1947

HIGHLIGHTS

Both Houses cleared many bills for President and adjourned the session.
See Appropriation Table.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 10291-10295.

Bills Introduced: Fifteen bills and six resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1742-S. 1756; S. J. Res. 156; S. Con Res. 32-34; and S. Res. 161-162.

Pages 10291-10292, 10400, 10401, 10403, 10412

Bills Referred: The following House-passed bills were referred to committees indicated: H. R. 1650 and 4177 (Committee on the Judiciary); H. R. 2029 and 4160 (Committee on Finance); H. R. 2993 and 4186 (Committee on Foreign Relations); H. R. 4068 (Committee on Public Works); H. R. 4070 (Committee on Foreign Relations); H. R. 4115 (Committee on Public Lands);

and H. J. Res. 246 (Committee on Civil Service). (For passage in House, see Digest, pp. D435, D436.)

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Bills Passed: On call of the Calendar, 50 bills were passed as follows:

Pacific: H. J. Res. 232, United States participation in the South-Pacific Commission;

Revenue: H. R. 3613, removing certain tax features in cases of bond transfers, stock loans, and stamp taxes;

Small Business: S. Res. 153, to continue and provide \$50,000 for Small Business Committee;

Agriculture Legislation: S. Res. 147, to provide \$15,000 for Committee on Agriculture and Forestry to study agricultural problems and trends;

Prices: S. Con. Res. 19, to provide \$25,000 for the Joint Committee on Economic Report for two of its subcommittees to study prices of consumer goods;

Marketing Agreements: H. R. 452, amending AAA relating to marketing agreements and orders;

Agriculture: H. R. 4110, amending title I of Bankhead-Jones Act, relative to land-grant colleges;

Peanuts: H. R. 4124, amending AAA relative to peanut quotas;

Patents: H. R. 4070, effectuating treaties with Italy, Bulgaria, Hungary, and Rumania, relating to patents;

Bankruptcy Referees: H. R. 1810, to enable part-time referees in bankruptcy to act as attorneys against the United States;

Hawaii: S. 1696, to extend district court jurisdiction in Hawaii;

Fountain: S. J. Res. 110, to relocate McMillan Fountain;

Bridge: S. 1529, bridge across Ohio at Shawneetown, Ill.;

Supplies: H. R. 4010, International Organizations Procurement Act of 1947;

Oregon: S. 1564, to authorize issuance of stamps to commemorate movement to Oregon country;

Indians: The following bills relating to Indians: H. R. 3325, S. 1133, and H. R. 2793;

Lands: The following bills relating to public lands: H. R. 3874, 3395, 3064, 3696, and S. 1551;

Bridge: H. R. 3332, creating the St. Lawrence Bridge Commission;

Panama: H. R. 1260, to amend the Panama Canal Zone Act;

Bridge: H. R. 4140, bridge bill relative to Delaware River Joint Toll Bridge Commission;

Interstate Commerce Committee: S. Res. 156, increasing by \$25,000 the limit of expenditures for Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce;

Reading, Pa.: H. J. Res. 218, providing for observance of founding of Reading, Pa.;

Sports: S. 1302, to aid youth in athletic and sports program by making surplus products available;

Medals: H. R. 4308, relative to acceptance of decorations, medals, etc.;

Kitchen Cars: S. 1632, to transfer railway kitchen cars to War Dept.;

Khorassan: S. 468, relative to Dramatic Order Knights of Khorassan;

Torts: H. R. 3690, to amend Federal Tort Claims Act;

Unemployment Fund: H. R. 3632, to extend time for applications to Railroad Retirement Board for refunds from Unemployment Trust Fund;

D. C. Hospital: H. R. 3870, to authorize expenditures by St. Elizabeths Hospital;

Schools: H. R. 3682, to extend period providing assistance to war-incurred school enrollments;

Information: S. Con. Res. 29, creating a joint committee to investigate the Voice of America; and

Claims: The following private claims bills: H. R. 1492, 2811, 1736, 3845, 1085, 1316, 618, S. 641, 1235, H. R. 1730, 1534, S. 1431, H. R. 890;

Of the above House-passed bills, the following 29 bills were cleared for the White House: H. R. 3845, 1810, 1085, 1316, 618, 4070, 3395, 452, 4110, 4124, 2811, 1736, 3874, 4010, 1730, 1534, 3064, 3325, 3696, 2793, 3332, 1260, 4308, 890, 3632, 3682, 3613, 1492, and H. J. Res. 218.

Pages 10296-10315, 10336

Second Supplemental: H. R. 4347, second supplemental appropriations bill, carrying a total of \$112,334,000, was passed. An amendment by Senator Gurney, granting \$500,000 for the Remount Service, was adopted, as were amendments by Senator Ball, granting increased authorization for the Maritime Commission, and by Senator Dworshak, adding \$12,000 for D. C. Recorder of Deeds. A conference was asked of the House, and the following conferees appointed: Senators Ball, Brooks, Ferguson, Cordon, McKellar, Hayden, and Tydings.

Pages 10315-10321

Housing: Senate receded from its amendment to H. Con. Res. 104, creating a joint committee to investigate entire housing field.

Pages 10335-10336

Inter-American: H. R. 4168, Institute of Inter-American Affairs, was passed by voice vote, and cleared for President.

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FDIC: House amendment to S. 1070, to provide for cancellation of capital stock of FDIC, was concurred in and cleared for President.

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Disbursing Officers: House amendments to S. 907, relative to unfilled regional disbursing offices of the Treasury Dept., were concurred in, clearing bill for President.

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Immigration: S. Res. 137, authorizing an investigation of immigration by Committee on the Judiciary, was passed by voice vote after adoption of clarifying amendments.

Pages 10321, 10324-10334, 10348-10352

Minerals: H. R. 1602, authorizing RFC to make subsidy payments on certain minerals, was passed by voice vote after defeat of an amendment by Senator Bricker on settlement of wartime contracts.

Pages 10355-10357, 10363-10365

Conference Reports: Conference reports on the following bills were adopted, clearing them for the President:

Crop Insurance: S. 1326, Federal Crop Insurance Act;

Agriculture Appropriation: H. R. 3601, Agriculture Department appropriation;

Deeds Recorder: H. R. 3045, placing Recorder of Deeds under direction of D. C. Commissioners;

Alcoholics: H. R. 2659, establishing a clinic for chronic alcoholism cases in D. C.;

Undertakers: H. R. 2173, licensing of undertakers and embalmers in D. C.;

Govt. Corporations: H. R. 3756, Government corporations appropriation bills;

Appropriations: H. R. 4269, supplemental appropriations bill, 1948;

Mail: H. R. 2857, to extend second-class mailing privilege to State conservation bulletins;

Civil Functions Appropriation: H. R. 4002, civil functions appropriation bill; and

Appropriations: H. R. 4347, second supplemental appropriation bill.

Pages 10312-10313, 10321-10324, 10345, 10345-10346, 10357-10361, 10361-10362, 10375, 10389-10393

Veterans: Senate passed and cleared for President H. R. 3308, to increase minimum allowances for service-connected cases.

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Voice of America: S. Res. 161, to authorize Committee on Foreign Relations to investigate State Department activities to acquaint foreign peoples with the United States (to replace S. Con. Res. 29, which the House did not pass).

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Promotion: H. R. 3830, regulating promotions in the Army, Navy, and Air Force, was passed after approval of committee amendments en bloc, and two clarifying amendments offered by Senators Baldwin and Gurney.

Pages 10365-10388

Printing: H. Con. Res. 107, authorizing printing of additional copies of House Ways and Means Committee tax revision hearings, was passed.

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UN: House amendments to S. J. Res. 144, UN site, were concurred in and cleared for President.

Pages 10397-10400

Puerto Rico: H. R. 3309, amending the Organic Act of Puerto Rico, was passed.

Pages 10389, 1402-1403

Additional Bills Passed: On motion of Senator Taft the following bills were taken from the Calendar, passed, and cleared for President (except H. R. 1426):

H. R. 3862, authorizing conveyance of land in Pa.;

H. J. Res. 205, authorizing sale of timber within Tongass National Forest;

H. R. 1426, to extend veterans' preference to widowed mothers of certain ex-servicemen;

H. R. 4111, authorizing flood-control works in Iowa;

H. R. 1544, to provide lapel buttons for next of kin of members of armed services who lost their lives in World War II.

Pages 10407-10409

Surplus Property Report: S. Res. 162, to file report after adjournment on surplus property, was approved.

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Nominations: The nominations of James V. Forrestal, to be Secretary of Defense, and John T. Jarecki, to be collector of internal revenue for first district of Illinois, were received.

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Confirmations: The following nominations were confirmed without objection on the call of the Executive Calendar: James V. Forrestal, to be Sec. of Defense; Rudolf E. Schoenfeld, as Minister to Rumania; Philip L. Rice, as Hawaii circuit judge; together with 3 appointments in the Public Health Service; 579 in the Army; 1 in the Navy; 47 in the Diplomatic and Foreign Service; and 137 postmasters.

Nomination of Philip B. Perlman, to be Solicitor General, was confirmed 58 yeas to 21 nays. In connection with the consideration of the nomination the Senate previously voted 38 yeas to 41 nays not to adjourn; 41 yeas to 38 nays to have the Clerk read certain material from the Congressional Record; and later 44 yeas to 35 nays to have the Clerk dispense with such reading.

Pages 10439-10443

Adjournment: To effect adjournment of the session, the Senate adopted the following three resolutions: S. Con. Res. 33, to adjourn until January 2, unless re-assembled earlier by leaders of the majority party of the two Houses; S. Con. Res. 34, to authorize the Speaker

and President pro tempore to sign enrolled bills during adjournment; and S. J. Res. 156, to begin second session of 80th Congress at none Tuesday, January 6, 1948.

Senate adjourned at 3:50 a. m.

Pages 10400-10401, 10401

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Thirty-three public bills, H. R. 4404-4436; twenty-two private bills, H. R. 4437-4458; and twelve resolutions, H. Res. 344-352, H. J. Res. 254, and H. Con. Res. 116 and 117, were introduced.

Pages 10444, 10445, 10474, 10510, 10523-10524

Bill Reported: One bill was reported, as follows:

H. R. 4278, National Security Training Act of 1947 (H. Rept. 1107).

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Election Contests: Considered, reported, and agreed to H. Res. 345 (H. Rept. 1106), relative to dismissal of certain contested-election cases.

Pages 10445, 10523

Wool Bill: Passed S. 1498, wool price-support measure, and cleared the bill for the President's signature.

Pages 10445-10453

Housing: Passed S. 1720, to increase amount of mortgage insurance authorized under NHA, and to authorize insurance of mortgages of surplus permanent war housing.

Page 10467

Medical: Passed S. 1661, under suspension of rules, to provide additional inducements to physicians to serve in armed services.

Pages 10467-10474

Committee Election: Agreed to H. Res. 344, electing Mr. Havenner to the Committee on Armed Services.

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President's Mother: Agreed to H. Res. 347, extension of sympathy on the part of the House at the death of Mrs. Martha Truman, mother of the President.

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Dredges: Passed S. 885, to provide that certain United States dredging equipment be documented under United States laws.

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Committee Study: Agreed to S. Con. Res. 19, to provide \$25,000 for the Joint Committee on the Economic Report for two of its subcommittees to study prices of consumer goods.

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Surplus Land: Agreed to S. Con. Res. 31, requesting War Department and WAA to delay reporting as surplus certain lands and permanent structures.

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Synthetic Rubber: Passed H. R. 2029, providing for free imports of synthetic rubber scrap.

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Claims: Passed S. 1181 and S. 1431, private claim bills.

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Leases: Passed S. 1198, to authorize leases on stand-by plants.

Pages 10491-10494

Vessels: Passed S. 1215, to authorize conversion of certain naval vessels.

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Rehabilitation: Passed H. R. 3308, under suspension of rules, increasing minimum allowance payable for rehabilitation in service-connected cases.

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Pensions: Passed H. R. 4055, under suspension of rules, providing increases in pensions of veterans of Indian wars and their dependents.

Pages 10497-10498

UN Site: Agreed to S. J. Res. 144, under suspension of rules, establishing permanent headquarters of the United Nations in this country.

Pages 10515-10518

Acting Clerk: Agreed to H. Res. 351, designating acting clerk during absence of the Clerk of the House of Representatives.

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Documents: Agreed to H. Res. 352, printing certain reports of the Comptroller General as House documents during adjournment of Congress.

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Presidential Signature: The House agreed to Senate amendments, completing all legislative action on the following:

Veterans' Farm Training: H. R. 2181, relating to institutional on-farm training for veterans.

Income Tax: H. R. 479, correcting, retroactively, any situation arising under income tax law upon death of a member of armed forces.

State Statutes: H. R. 3690, as amended, amending the Federal Tort Claims Act relating to certain death statutes and decisions in Alabama and Massachusetts.

Indian Restrictions: H. R. 3173, as amended, relating to restrictions applicable to Indians of the Five Civilized Tribes of Oklahoma.

Public Health: H. R. 597, to protect agricultural, livestock, and public health by prohibition against garbage

importation to United States or deposition in territorial waters.

Pages 10467, 10475, 10499

Promotion Bill: H. R. 3830, Army-Navy officer personnel bill.

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D. C. Bills: Adopted conference reports on the following District of Columbia measures:

Recorder: H. R. 3045, relative to establishing a Recorder of Deeds in the District of Columbia.

Clinic: H. R. 2659, establishing a D. C. clinic for chronic alcoholism cases.

Undertakers: H. R. 2173, licensing of D. C. undertakers and embalmers.

Pages 10474-10477

Housing: Agreed to H. Con. Res. 104, as amended, to provide \$50,000 for a joint committee to investigate entire housing field.

Pages 10466-10467

Hearings: Agreed to H. Con. Res. 107 (H. Rept. 1109), printing 1,000 additional copies of hearings before Committee on Ways and Means on tax revision in this session of Congress.

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Civil Functions: Adopted conference report on H. R. 4002 (H. Rept. 1110), War Department civil functions appropriation bill for 1948, and sent it to the Senate.

Pages 10478-10486

Concealed Weapons: Agreed to conference report on H. R. 493, regulating sales and possession of firearms in D. C.

Pages 10494-10495

Government Corporations: Adopted conference report on H. R. 3756 (H. Rept. 1111), Government corporations appropriation bill for 1948, and sent it to the Senate.

Pages 10495-10497

Crop Insurance: Adopted conference report on S. 1326 (H. Rept. 1112), amending generally the Federal Crop Insurance Act, and sent it to the Senate.

Pages 10498-10499

Supplemental Appropriations: Adopted conference report on H. R. 4269 (H. Rept. 1108), the supplemental appropriations bill for 1948, and sent it to the Senate.

Pages 10455-10466

Second Supplemental: Adopted conference report on H. R. 4347 (H. Rept. 1113), second supplemental appropriation bill for 1948, and sent it to the Senate.

Page 10506-10514

Mail: House adopted conference report on H. R. 2857 (H. Rept. 1114), to extend second-class mailing privilege to State conservation bulletins.

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Adjournment: House adjourned at 12:32 a. m., pursuant to S. Con. Res. 33, subject to the call of the designated leaders, with a provision for final adjournment on January 2, 1948.

Reports on Committee Meetings

LONG-RANGE FARM PROGRAM

Committee on Agriculture: Special subcommittee met in executive session to plan the long-range farm program, and selected tentative locations for future hearings on this program.

HOUSING AND RENT CONTROL

Committee on Banking and Currency: Met informally in executive session with Frank R. Creedon, Housing and Rent Administrator, and discussed housing and rent-control regulations under the Housing and Rent Control Act of 1947.

FOREIGN AFFAIRS

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Full committee met in executive session.

BILLS SIGNED BY THE PRESIDENT

(New Laws)

(For last listing of Public Laws, see p. D437)

S. 1262, to provide a central authority for standardizing geographic names. Signed July 25, 1947 (P. L. 242);

S. 1497, to provide periodical census of oils and fats. Signed July 25, 1947 (P. L. 243);

H. R. 175, to give Governor of Alaska power to pardon and remit fines and forfeitures. Signed July 25, 1947 (P. L. 244);

H. R. 2956, amending Natural Gas Act of 1938, relating to eminent domain. Signed July 25, 1947 (P. L. 245);

H. R. 3323, relative to determination of bonus value of oil, gas, and mining leases on Osage mineral reservation. Signed July 25, 1947 (P. L. 246);

H. R. 3123, Interior Department appropriations. Signed July 25, 1947 (P. L. 247);

S. 323, to provide relief for Army-Navy disbursing officers. Signed July 26, 1947 (P. L. 248);

S. 512, to extend the Farm Tenant Act to the Virgin Islands. Signed July 26, 1947 (P. L. 249);

S. 753, to defer collection of irrigation construction charges on Flathead Indian Project. Signed July 26, 1947 (P. L. 250);

H. J. Res. 250, authorizing appointment of Robert V. Fleming, to Board of Regents of Smithsonian Institution. Signed July 26, 1947 (P. L. 251);

H. R. 3864, to amend D. C. Unemployment Compensation Act relative to contribution rates after military service. Signed July 26, 1947 (P. L. 252);

S. 758, to create a National Military Establishment. Signed July 26, 1947 (P. L. 253);

H. R. 4017, permitting cashing of terminal leave bonds after September 1, 1947. Signed July 26, 1947 (P. L. 254).

Résumé of Congressional Activity

The following tables on legislative activity and nominations run monthly in the Daily Digest.

DATA ON LEGISLATIVE ACTIVITY

January 3 through adjournment, July 27, 1947

	Senate	House	Total
Days in session.....	127	126	..
Time in session.....	744 hrs., 40'	595 hrs., 55'	..
Average length of each day's session.....	5.9 hrs.	4.7 hrs.	..
Congressional Record:			
Pages of proceedings...	5,641	5,047	10,688
Appendix.....	..	..	4,305
Public bills enacted into law.....	116	272	388
Private bills enacted into law.....	37	94	131
Average number of days to enactment of each bill, from introduction to President's signature.....	..	..	91
Bills in conference.....	..	..	4
Bills through conference.....	..	..	58
Measures passed, total.....	819	985	..
Senate bills.....	276	1136	..
House bills.....	365	564	..
Senate joint resolutions.....	44	127	..
House joint resolutions.....	30	33	..
Senate concurrent resolutions.....	12	10	..
House concurrent resolutions.....	16	18	..
Simple resolutions.....	76	197	273
Measures reported, total.....	922	1,010	..
Senate bills.....	346	82	..
House bills.....	378	700	..
Senate joint resolutions.....	50	14	..
House joint resolutions.....	31	46	..
Senate concurrent resolutions.....	16	2	..
House concurrent resolutions.....	17	12	..
Simple resolutions.....	84	154	238
Special reports.....	16	49	..
Conference reports.....	..	..	55
Reported measures not acted on.....	**67	**97	..
Measures introduced, total.....	2,108	5,181	7,289
Bills.....	1,756	4,458	6,214
Joint resolutions.....	156	254	410
Concurrent resolutions.....	34	117	151
Simple resolutions.....	162	352	514
Quorum calls.....	310	55	365
Yea-and-nay votes.....	130	78	208

DISPOSITION OF EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS THROUGH ADJOURNMENT, JULY 27, 1947

Postmaster nominations, totaling 1,285, disposed of as follows:

Confirmed.....	935
Withdrawn.....	116
Rejected.....	None
Unconfirmed.....	234

Army nominations, totaling 17,224, disposed of as follows:

Confirmed.....	17,213
Withdrawn.....	10
Rejected.....	None
Unconfirmed.....	1

Navy nominations, totaling 9,744, disposed of as follows:

Confirmed.....	9,738
Withdrawn.....	None
Rejected.....	None
Unconfirmed.....	6

Marine Corps nominations, totaling 621, disposed of as follows:

Confirmed.....	621
Withdrawn.....	None
Rejected.....	None
Unconfirmed.....	None

Civilian nominations other than postmasters, totaling 1,117, disposed of as follows:

Confirmed.....	1,101
Withdrawn.....	6
Rejected.....	None
Unconfirmed.....	10

Summary

Total nominations received.....	29,991
Total rejected.....	None
Total withdrawn.....	132
Total unconfirmed.....	251
Total confirmed.....	29,608

*These figures on measures reported include all placed on calendar or acted on by Senate even if there was no accompanying report. A total of 770 reports has been filed in the Senate; a total of 1,114 has been filed in the House.

**This figure does not agree with the total difference between bills reported and bills passed, because resolutions and bills placed on the House Calendar without having been formally reported were not included in figures of measures reported to the House; the difference in the case of Senate figures is due to uncounted bills "laid on the table" or "indefinitely postponed."

†Forty-six Senate bills and eight Senate joint resolutions were passed in lieu of companion House measures, which were "laid on the table."

TABLE OF APPROPRIATION BILLS, EIGHTIETH CONGRESS, FIRST SESSION

Bill No.	Title	Budget estimates	House			Senate			Public law		
			Date reported	Amount as reported	Date passed	Amount as reported	Date passed	Amount as passed	Date approved	Amount as approved	Law No.
H. R. 1968	Urgent Deficiency, 1947. Recission (Contracts).	\$179,319,100 564,217,844 132,000,000	Feb. 17	\$139,360,000 574,148,579 132,000,000	Feb. 18	\$180,966,231 565,461,151 132,000,000	Mar. 5	\$181,486,231 565,461,151 132,000,000	Mar. 22	\$179,645,668 567,461,151 132,000,000	20
H. R. 2436	Treasury-Post Office, 1948. Treasury Post Office.	4,099,123,500 2,555,094,250 1,545,029,250	Mar. 7	3,202,090,750 1,671,317,500 1,530,773,250	Mar. 11	3,243,045,173 1,710,506,523 1,532,538,650	June 2	3,243,045,173 1,710,506,523 1,532,538,650	July 1	3,216,509,450 1,684,848,400 1,531,661,050	147
H. R. 2700	Labor-Federal Security, 1948. Labor. F. S. A. Related agencies.	1,771,614,039 95,578,700 976,370,339 699,665,000	Mar. 21	1,684,586,780 90,864,200 899,043,180 695,677,400	Mar. 25	1,676,198,080 79,862,900 899,688,080 696,647,100	May 5	1,676,198,080 79,862,900 899,688,080 696,647,100	July 8	1,674,158,631 75,850,901 901,670,630 696,637,100	165
H. J. Res. 154	Hoof-and-mouth disease.	9,000,000	Mar. 21	9,000,000	Mar. 21	9,000,000	Mar. 25	9,000,000	Mar. 27	9,000,000	22
H. J. Res. 159	To supply deficiencies.	243,714,587	Mar. 26	243,255,607	Mar. 26	243,255,607	Mar. 28	243,255,607	Mar. 29	243,255,607	25
H. R. 2849	First deficiency.	3,082,332,589	Mar. 28	2,471,498,548	Apr. 1	2,832,180,266	Apr. 24	2,835,199,009	May 1	2,835,161,509	46
H. R. 3123	Interior Department, 1948.	295,463,060	Apr. 21	156,538,513	Apr. 25	215,530,353	June 13	215,530,353	July 25	194,587,859	247
H. R. 3245	Second Deficiency, 1947.	224,528,415	Apr. 29	170,478,658	May 2	210,418,858	May 16	210,418,858	May 26	192,438,858	76
H. R. 3311	State-Justice-Commerce, 1948. State. Justice. Commerce. Judiciary.	698,788,588 279,699,268 111,470,000 286,989,000 20,630,320	May 5	535,728,008 219,128,058 108,396,500 191,057,000 17,146,450	May 15	551,343,932 234,324,703 107,438,230 192,352,834 17,248,165	July 1	553,595,932 234,724,703 107,438,230 192,352,834 19,048,165	July 9	551,175,932 232,724,703 107,488,230 191,914,834 19,048,165	166
H. R. 3493	Navy, 1948.	3,513,000,300	May 16	3,135,481,100	May 20	3,312,044,300	June 24	3,312,044,300	July 18	3,268,766,100	202
H. R. 3601	Agriculture, 1948.	802,360,608	May 23	569,713,866	May 28	664,836,426	July 14	664,836,426	July 30	613,046,826	266
H. R. 3678	Military, 1948.	5,716,791,500	May 29	5,240,982,423	June 5	5,616,618,793	July 15	5,616,618,793	July 30	5,482,529,633	267
H. R. 3756	Government Corporations Appropriations. Administrative expenditures limitations.	50,137,500 56,497,250	June 9	36,097,580 41,649,700	June 11	31,746,918 47,435,000	July 14	31,746,918 47,435,000	July 30	35,040,000 45,535,000	268
H. R. 3791	Second Urgent Deficiency.	61,778,758	June 11	58,856,257	June 12	70,856,257	June 20	72,236,257	June 27	72,236,257	122
H. R. 3839	Independent Offices.	8,500,497,759	June 13	8,167,869,027	June 18	8,294,006,027	July 15	8,307,978,247	July 30	8,188,822,927	269
H. R. 3993	Legislative.	76,153,077	June 26	54,907,505	June 27	55,596,908	July 10	55,631,908	July 17	55,294,455	197
H. R. 4002	War-Civil Functions.	619,727,100	June 27	339,186,869	July 2	539,927,449	July 24	539,927,449	July 31	502,123,912	296
H. R. 4031	Emergency Appropriations.	5,750,000	June 30	6,180,000	June 30	Blanket extension	Blanket extension	Blanket extension	July 3	6,180,000	161
H. R. 4106	District of Columbia.	95,793,160	July 8	95,930,310	July 9	94,947,504	July 18	94,947,504	July 25	95,504,737	237
H. R. 4269	Supplemental, 1948.	1,925,683,823	July 18	1,603,199,094	July 18	1,679,076,897	July 25	1,680,793,697	July 30	1,658,802,197	271
H. R. 4268	Gov't Corporations, Supplemental.	35,500,000	July 18	35,500,000	July 18	35,500,000	July 24	35,500,000	July 29	35,500,000	256
H. R. 4347	Second Supplemental, 1948.	242,285,460	July 24	100,059,200	July 24	111,822,200	July 26	112,334,200	July 31	106,695,100	299

Monday, November 17, 1947

HIGHLIGHTS

Congress reassembled in continuation of the first session of the 80th Congress.
Both Houses heard the President in Joint Session.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 10569-10577.

Bills Introduced: One bill and two resolutions were introduced, as follows:

S. 1757; S. Res. 163 and 164. *Pages 10569, 10570, 10577*

Death of Senator: Senate adopted S. Res. 163, expressing condolence on the death of late Senator Bilbo and providing for adjournment today as further mark of respect to the late Senator. *Page 10569*

New Senator: President pro tempore administered oath of office to John C. Stennis as Senator from Mississippi. *Pages 10569-10570*

Reading: Senators Martin and Myers were appointed Senate members of Reading, Pa., Bicentennial Commission. *Page 10570*

Notification of President: S. Res. 164 was adopted, authorizing appointment of two Senators to join with House committee to notify President that a quorum of each House is reassembled. Senators White and Barkley were named to this committee. *Page 10570*

Joint Session: H. Con. Res. 118, authorizing a joint session to hear message of President, was adopted. *Page 10577*

European Aid: To place a specific bill before the Foreign Relations Committee in connection with its study of foreign aid, Senator Connally, for himself and Senator Vandenberg, introduced S. 1757, to extend immediate assistance in food, fuel, and other commodities to Austria, France, and Italy, and authorize an expenditure of \$597,000,000 for that purpose. The bill was referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations where it will be studied further tomorrow, November 18, in executive session. *Page 10577*

Presidential Message: In joint session both Houses heard President call for aid to Europe and offer "anti-inflation program" (H. Doc. 430). *Pages 10594-10597*

Adjournment: Adjourned at 12:25 p. m. subject to the call of the Chair; reassembled at 1:05 p. m. and proceeded at 1:17 p. m. to the House of Representatives and at the conclusion of the joint session, pursuant to previous order, adjourned at 2:04 p. m. to noon Thursday, November 20, 1947. *Page 10577*

Reports on Committee Meetings

EUROPEAN AID

Committee on Foreign Relations: In executive session the committee discussed generally the proposed "interim European aid program." A bill (S. 1757) was introduced in the Senate today which will be under consideration by the committee tomorrow, November 18, in executive session, at which time the committee will begin drafting it for reporting to the Senate.

The committee held hearings on this proposal for five days beginning as of November 10, and heard various witnesses including primarily officials from the Departments of State, Commerce, and Interior. The committee hopes to report the bill by the end of the week.

MARYLAND SENATORIAL ELECTION

Committee on Rules and Administration: In executive session the Subcommittee on Privileges and Elections agreed to begin the examination of the remaining contested-election ballots in the Maryland senatorial election. Committee continues tomorrow, November 18.

AIRCRAFT PROCUREMENT

Special Committee to Investigate the National Defense Program: Bleriot H. Lamarre, president, Aviation Electric Corp., and Major General Bennett E. Meyers, AAF, testified with the committee interrogating the witnesses in connection with the part various persons took in aircraft procurement. Hearings to be continued.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Twenty-four public bills, H. R. 4459-4482; five private bills, H. R. 4483-4487; and eight resolutions, H. Res. 353-357; H. J. Res. 255-257; and H. Con. Res. 118, were introduced.

Pages 10592, 10594, 10598, 10601, 10605, 10614

Report: Report on Civil Rights Congress as a Communist-front organization, by Committee on Un-American Activities (H. Rept. 1115). *Page 10614*

Bills Referred: The following Senate-passed bills were referred to the committees indicated: S. 1551 and 1632 (Armed Services); S. 342, S. 722, and S. J. Res. 48 (Banking and Currency); S. 468 (District of Columbia); S. 1302 (Expenditures in the Executive Departments); S. 641, S. 1235, and S. 1696 (Judiciary); S. 1082 and S. 1564 (Post Office and Civil Service); S. 1133 (Public Lands); S. 1529 and S. J. Res. 110 (Public Works); S. Con. Res. 29 (Rules); and S. 1393 (Veterans' Affairs). *Pages 10591-10592*

Joint Session: Adopted H. Con. Res. 118, authorizing a joint session of Congress to hear message of President. *Page 10594*

Notification of President: Adopted H. Res. 353, authorizing appointment of three Representatives to join with Senate committee to notify the President that a quorum of each House had reassembled. Representatives Halleck, Allen of Illinois, and Rayburn were named to this committee. *Page 10592*

Presidential Message: Both Houses heard a message from the President, transmitting recommendations for interim aid for certain Western European countries and a program to curb inflation in the United States, which was ordered to be printed as a House document (H. Doc. 430). *Pages 10594-10597*

Further Presidential Messages: Transmitted supplemental estimate of appropriation for fiscal year 1948 in amount of \$597,000,000 for interim aid to France, Italy, and Austria (H. Doc. 435).

Transmitted twenty-fourth report of operations under the Lend-Lease Act (H. Doc. 437).

Transmitted eleventh quarterly report covering the operations of UNRRA (H. Doc. 438). *Pages 10593-10594, 10613*

New Members Sworn: The following Members-elect appeared in the well of the House and were sworn in as Representatives of their respective congressional districts: Charles E. Potter, Eleventh Michigan; Clark

W. Thompson, Ninth Texas; Ken Regan, Sixteenth Texas; Franklin H. Lichtenwaller, Eighth Pennsylvania; William M. McCulloch, Fourth Ohio; Abraham J. Multer, Fourteenth New York; and Ralph Harvey, Tenth Indiana. *Pages 10597-10598*

Spanish War: Pursuant to H. Con. Res. 108, to create a joint committee to observe 50th anniversary of United States-Cuban victory in war with Spain, Representatives Michener, Van Zandt, Kearney, and Lane were appointed by the Speaker. *Page 10593*

Parliamentary Group: Pursuant to H. Con. Res. 110, relative to appointment of congressional representation at meeting of Empire Parliamentary Association, in Bermuda, December 1947, Representatives Talle, Gorbett, Kefauver, and Worley were appointed by the Speaker. *Page 10593*

Deceased Members: Adopted H. Res. 354, expressing condolence on the death of Senator Bilbo, of Mississippi.

Adopted H. Res. 355, expressing condolence on the death of Representative Gifford, of Massachusetts.

Adopted H. Res. 356, expressing condolence on the death of Representative Springer, of Indiana. *Pages 10598-10610*

Reports on Committee Meetings

FAIR LABOR STANDARDS ACT

Committee on Education and Labor: Subcommittee on Wages and Hours held hearings on Fair Labor Standards Act, and heard Hon. L. B. Schwellenbach, Secretary of Labor, and A. C. Remele, representing the Northwest Country Elevator Association. Hearings will be continued.

EUROPEAN AID

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Met in executive session and heard Maj. Gen. Stephen Chamberlin on emergency foreign aid. Committee will hold open hearing tomorrow, November 18.

CONTEMPT CITATIONS

Committee on Un-American Activities: Met in executive session to consider the contempt cases of the 10 witnesses who refused to testify at the Hollywood hearings. The full committee unanimously voted to cite for contempt the following persons: Dalton Trumbo; Ring Lardner, Jr.; Adrian Scott; Alvah Bessie; Edward Dmytryk; Herbert Biberman; John Howard Lawson; Albert Maltz; Samuel Ornitz; and Lester Cole.

TAX REVISION

Committee on Ways and Means: Held hearings on section 101 of the Internal Revenue Code, and heard Willis I. Morrison, Los Angeles, Calif., representing the Challenge Cream and Butter Association and other cooperatives; Eugene Hensel, Columbus, Ohio, representing the

National Association of Cooperatives on legal aspects; Joe Thompson, Wadena, Minn., representing a group of cooperatives; Walter L. Bradley, Buffalo, N. Y., representing the National Association of Cooperatives; and D. W. Brooks, Atlanta, Ga., representing the Cotton Producers Association, all of whom testified in favor of tax exemption for cooperatives. Hearings will be continued.

Tuesday, November 18, 1947

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate in recess; House heard special order speeches.

Senate Appropriations Committee plans foreign-aid hearings.

Senate

Chamber Action

The Senate was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Thursday, November 20, at 12 noon.

Reports on Committee Meetings

EUROPEAN AID REQUIREMENTS

Committee on Appropriations: After an executive session, Chairman Bridges announced that the committee would start hearings within two or three days, which are expected to run for approximately two weeks, to determine: (1) the amount of available food supplies in the United States; (2) the best crop estimates; and (3) estimate of food necessary for our own people in the United States in order to arrive at the amount of food available for export.

The chairman announced that Secretary Anderson and other officials of the Department of Agriculture would be the first witnesses, to be followed by officials of the Departments of Commerce and Interior. Farm organizations also will be invited to testify, as will representatives of the grain markets of Minneapolis, Omaha, Kansas City, Chicago, and Sioux City. Important grain users also will be heard.

The various departments concerned with the European aid are being asked to submit immediately complete justification and estimates for the program. The State Department is being requested to fly the air attachés of France, Italy, and Austria to this country so that the committee may have the benefit of their testimony. The War Department has been asked to arrange for the agricultural adviser to General Clay to be present to testify on Germany and the occupied areas.

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Committee on Armed Services: Considered, in executive session, question of when hearings should be started on

universal military training. No decision was reached, and another session on this subject is expected shortly.

EUROPEAN AID

Committee on Foreign Relations: Held executive session on S. 1757, European interim-aid bill. Another session is scheduled tomorrow, November 19.

MARYLAND SENATORIAL ELECTION

Committee on Rules and Administration: In executive session the Subcommittee on Privileges and Elections began its examination of the remaining contested-election ballots in the Maryland senatorial election. Subcommittee continues tomorrow, November 19.

TANKERS AND OIL SHORTAGES

Special Committee to Study Problems of American Small Business: Subcommittee investigating the sale of United States oil tankers to foreign nations and nationals as related to shortages of oil and need of keeping United States tankers under United States flag, heard the following witnesses: Secretary of Navy John L. Sullivan and members of the United States Maritime Commission: Vice Admiral William M. Smith, chairman, and Commissioners Richard Parkhurst, Raymond S. McKeough, Grenville Mellen, and Joseph K. Carson.

AIRCRAFT PROCUREMENT

Special Committee to Investigate the National Defense Program: Committee continued investigation of aircraft procurement in connection with Maj. Gen. Bennett E. Meyers, AAF, with the following witnesses testifying: Bleriot H. Lamarre, president, Aviation Electric Corp.; Carmine Dellino, accountant for the committee; Fred E. Dietz, Combustioneer Corp.; Melvin J. Taylor, garageman; Herman S. Cole, Bureau of Vehicles and Traffic, District of Columbia; and V. M. Knox, Cadillac salesman. Hearings to be continued.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Twenty-eight public bills, H. R. 4488-4515; eleven private bills, H. R. 4516-4526; and five resolutions, H. Res. 358 and 359, and H. J. Res. 258-260, were introduced. Pages 10665-10666

Special Orders: No legislation was considered by the membership. Under special orders, previously agreed to, Representatives Dirksen, Crawford, and Church addressed the House. Pages 10651-10665

Adjournment: Adjourned at 3 p. m., until 12 o'clock noon, Thursday, November 20.

Reports on Committee Meetings

ARMED SERVICES

Committee on Armed Services: Met in executive session to receive report of subcommittee that visited Europe and the Mediterranean. The report was presented by the chairman of the group, Representative Short.

FAIR LABOR STANDARDS ACT

Committee on Education and Labor: Subcommittee on Wages and Hours met to consider proposed amendments to the Fair Labor Standards Act and heard Hon.

L. Metcalfe Walling, former Administrator, Wage and Hour Division, Department of Labor. Hearings to be continued.

EUROPEAN AID

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Met on emergency foreign aid and heard Representatives Dirksen, Andresen, Javits, and Vorys. Committee will meet tomorrow, November 19, in executive session.

TAX REVISION

Committee on Ways and Means: Continued hearings on section 101 of the Internal Revenue Code, and heard Judge Frank Sims, Charlotte, N. C., representing the American Hardware & Equipment Co.; L. H. Parker, tax consultant, Washington, D. C.; John Lorne MacDougall, professor of commerce, Queens University, Kingston, Ontario, Canada; R. N. Cooper, Wichita Falls, Kans., representing the Derby Oil Co.; N. J. Paulson, assistant general counsel, Investors League, Inc., Washington, D. C.; and Harold M. Dudley, Washington, D. C., representing the American Council of Commercial Laboratories and the Pittsburgh Testing Laboratory, all of whom appeared in opposition to exemption of cooperative enterprises. Hearings will be continued.

Thursday, November 20, 1947

HIGHLIGHTS

European aid bill, as approved by committee, introduced in Senate.

House heard speeches under special orders.

Senate Banking and Currency Committee announced program on rent, credit, and commodity exchanges.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 10666-10673.

Bills Introduced: Seventeen bills and eight resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1758-1774; S. J. Res. 157-159; and S. Res. 165-169. Pages 10667, 10668-10670, 10675, 10675-10676

Tariff Duties: Senators Robertson of Wyoming and Butler spoke on recent agreement making reductions in tariff rates. Pages 10673-10675

European Aid: Senator Connally, for himself and Senator Vandenberg, introduced S. 1774, European interim-

aid bill, in the form as agreed upon by the Foreign Relations Committee on November 19, replacing S. 1757. Senator Vandenberg obtained unanimous consent to have the report of the committee filed during the recess and also to have printed "Interim European Aid Program," consisting of data submitted by the Department of State, as a Senate Document (S. Doc. 108). Pages 10667, 10670

Death of Representatives: Adopted S. Res. 168 and 169, expressing condolence on death of Representatives Gifford and Springer. Pages 10675-10676

Adjournment: Adjourned at 12:54 p. m. until noon Monday, November 24.

Reports on Committee Meetings

LONG-RANGE FARM PROGRAM

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: In hearings on long-range farm program, the subcommittee heard Dr. L. J. Norton and Prof. E. J. Working, Department of Agricultural Economics, University of Illinois, present their proposed parity income plan. The subcommittee consists of Senators Aiken (chairman), Bushfield, Wilson, Thye, Thomas of Oklahoma, Ellender, and Lucas. Hearings to be continued.

RENT, CREDIT, AND COMMODITY EXCHANGE

Committee on Banking and Currency: In executive session it was agreed that four items would be given immediate consideration: rent control, consumer credit, bank credit, and speculation on the commodity exchange.

The committee agreed to meet November 24 in open session to consider S. J. Res. 157, regulation of consumer credit for a temporary period. In view of previous study of this subject, Senator Tobey expects that only one day will be given to its consideration.

An agreement was reached to introduce a bill to extend authority of title VI of the Federal Housing Act, on which immediate action is expected. All members of the committee requested to be made cosponsors of the measure.

It was agreed to await clarification of items in short supply before considering any measure on price control or rationing.

The committee was in agreement that its members should sit in with the Joint Committee on the Economic Report on its hearing on the anti-inflation program to obtain information on the subject.

EUROPEAN AID

Committee on Foreign Relations: Unanimously approved on November 19, in executive session, S. 1757, European interim-aid bill, after adopting numerous amendments. As approved it was reintroduced under the number S. 1774; it would authorize 597 million dollars as interim aid for France, Italy, and Austria.

MARYLAND SENATORIAL ELECTION

Committee on Rules and Administration: In executive session yesterday and today, the Subcommittee on Privileges and Elections continued its examination of the remaining contested-election ballots cast in the Maryland senatorial election.

AIRCRAFT PROCUREMENT

Special Committee to Investigate the National Defense Program: Hearings were continued on aircraft procurement in connection with the Maj. Gen. Bennett E. Meyers' case with the following witnesses testifying: B. H. Lamarre, president, Aviation Electric Corp.; Robert Cuse, engineer of the Vimalert Co. Ltd.; and Maj. Gen. Bennett E. Meyers. Hearings to be continued.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Eleven public bills, H. R. 4527-4537; nine private bills, H. R. 4538-4546; and three resolutions, H. Res. 360-362, were introduced.

Pages 10696-10697

Bills Reported: Bills were reported as follows:

Eleven private claims bills, from the Committee on the Judiciary, as follows: H. R. 387, 560, 899, 1139, 1298, 2303, 2218, 2250, 2425, 3061, and 3263 (H. Repts. 1116-1126, respectively); and

H. R. 4469, amending Public Law 162, of July 1947, to authorize Commission on Organization of the Executive Branch of the Government to procure temporary or intermittent services of experts or consultants or organizations thereof (H. Rept. 1127).

Page 10696

Special Orders: No legislation was considered by the membership. Under special orders, previously agreed

to, Representatives Rich, Hoffman, Mundt, St. George, and Kennedy addressed the House. Pages 10680-10695

Adjournment: Adjourned at 3:06 p. m., until Monday, November 24, at 12 o'clock noon.

Reports on Committee Meetings

ARMED SERVICES

Committee on Armed Services: November 19, Subcommittee No. 12 met in executive session. No witnesses were heard.

November 20, full committee met to hear report of subcommittee who visited the Pacific area during recess. Representative Cole of New York headed the subcommittee.

FAIR LABOR STANDARDS ACT

Committee on Education and Labor: November 19, Subcommittee on Wages and Hours continued hearings

on proposed amendments to Fair Labor Standards Act, and heard Harold C. Nystrom, Chief, Opinions Section, Office of the Solicitor, United States Department of Labor; and Jeter S. Ray, Associate Solicitor, Department of Labor.

November 20, Subcommittee on Wages and Hours continued hearings on amendments to the Fair Labor Standards Act and heard E. M. McNamee, inspector, Columbus, Ohio, Office, Wage and Hour and Public Contracts Division, Department of Labor; and Hon. William R. McComb, Administrator, Wage and Hour and Public Contracts Division, Department of Labor. Hearings will be continued.

EXECUTIVE BRANCH

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: November 19, met in regular session and ordered favorably reported, with amendments, H. R. 4469, to amend the act of July 7, 1947, so as to authorize the Commission on Organization of the Executive Branch of the Government to procure the temporary or intermittent services of experts or consultants or organizations thereof.

FOREIGN AID

Committee on Foreign Affairs: November 19, met in executive session on emergency foreign aid.

November 20, met in executive session and heard Brig. Gen. J. D. Balmer, United States Deputy Commissioner of Austria, and Representative Buck on emergency foreign aid. Meeting will be continued.

TAX REVISION

Committee on Ways and Means: November 19, continued hearings on section 101 of the Internal Revenue

Code, and heard A. W. Carpenter, executive director, Eastern Federation of Feed Merchants, Sherburne, N. Y.; Leonard Calhoun, Washington, D. C.; George Olive, member, board of directors, Indiana State Chamber of Commerce, Indianapolis, Ind.; Arthur H. Einbeck, president, New Jersey Pharmaceutical Association, West New York, N. J.; and Elmer E. Harder, Harrisburg, Pa., representing the Pennsylvania Association of Milk Dealers, all of whom opposed exemption of cooperative enterprises.

November 20, continued hearings on section 101 of the Internal Revenue Code, and heard Representative Patman; Hon. Jerry Voorhis, Chicago, Ill., executive secretary, the Cooperative League of the United States; W. W. Thompson, Rochester, Minn., assistant manager, Rochester Dairy Cooperative; Earl F. Wisdom, Des Moines, Iowa, representing the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association; and Robert D. Tisinger, Carrollton, Ga., general counsel, National Rural Electric Cooperative Association, all of whom testified in favor of tax exemption of cooperatives. Hearings will be continued.

REPORT ON JOINT COMMITTEE MEETINGS

ANTI-INFLATION PROGRAM

Joint Committee on the Economic Report: Met yesterday in executive session and agreed to begin public hearings on the anti-inflation program submitted to Congress by the President on November 17, 1947, at 2 p. m. Friday, November 21, with Secretary of Agriculture Anderson testifying. Hearings will be continued through next week.

Monday, November 24, 1947

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate opened debate on European-aid bill.

House adopted ten contempt-citation resolutions.

Housing bill approved by Senate group and hearings opened before Appropriations Committee on foreign aid.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 10698-10700.

Bills Introduced: Thirty bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 1775 to S. 1804; and S. Res. 170.

Pages 10697, 10699-10700

Bill Reported: One bill was reported, as follows: S. 1774, European interim-aid bill (S. Rept. 771) (filed during recess).

Page 10699

Death of Former Senator: S. Res. 170, expressing condolence on death of former Senator James J. Davis, was adopted.

Pages 10697-10698

Indian Laws: Rereferred H. R. 1049, repealing certain Indian liquor laws, from the Judiciary to the Public Lands Committee. Page 10700

Pages: S. Res. 165, authorizing the temporary employment of pages, was agreed to. Page 10699

European Aid: Senate opened debate on S. 1774, European interim-aid bill. Pages 10700-10722

Nominations: The following nominations, made during the recess of the Senate, were submitted: John L. Sullivan, to be Secretary of Navy; W. John Kenney, Under Secretary of Navy; David A. Morse, Under Secretary of Labor; John T. Kmetz, Assistant Secretary of Labor; Charles Oliphant, Assistant General Counsel for Bureau of Internal Revenue; John T. Jarecki, Collector of Internal Revenue for First District of Illinois; Walter J. Donnelly, Ambassador to Venezuela; H. Freeman Matthews, Ambassador to Sweden; Paul H. Alling, Ambassador to Pakistan; Nathaniel P. Davis, Ambassador to Costa Rica; J. Klahr Huddle, Ambassador to Burma; Donald R. Heath, Minister to Bulgaria; James Hugh Keeley, Jr., Minister to Syria; William Benton, Laurence Duggan, Milton S. Eisenhower, Reuben G. Gustavson, and Helen C. White, U. S. representatives to UNESCO; Detlev W. Bronk, Charles S. Johnson, Louise Leonard Wright, George D. Stoddard, and Howard E. Wilson, U. S. alternates to UNESCO; John H. Hilldring, Alternate Representative to UN General Assembly; Admiral Alan G. Kirk, U. S. representative on the Special Balkan Committee; Frank P. Graham, U. S. representative on the Indonesia Good Offices Committee of UN Security Council; William H. Draper, Jr., Under Secretary of the Army; Gordon Gray, Assistant Secretary of the Army; W. Stuart Symington, Secretary of the Air Force; Arthur S. Barrows, Under Secretary of the Air Force; Cornelius V. Whitney, Assistant Secretary of the Air Force; Eugene M. Zuckert, Assistant Secretary of the Air Force; General Carl Spaatz, Chief of Staff of the Air Force; Vannevar Bush, Chairman, Research and Development Board; Rear Adm. Roscoe H. Hillenkoetter, Director of Central Intelligence; Arthur M. Hill, Chairman of National Security Resources Board; Thomas J. Hargrave, Chairman, Munitions Board; Col. Joseph S. Gorkinski, California Debris Commission; Abe Murdock and J. Copeland Gray, NLRB Members; Robert N. Denham, to be NLRB General Counsel; Cyrus Stuart Ching, Federal Mediation and Conciliation Director; Oscar R. Ewing, Federal Security Administrator; Raymond M. Foley, Housing and Home Finance Administrator; Franklin D. Richards, Federal Housing Commissioner; George R. Humrickhouse, U. S. Attorney for Eastern District of Virginia; Roy W. Harper, U. S. District Judge for Eastern and Western Districts of Missouri; Sylvester J. Ryan, U. S. District Judge for Southern District of New York; John E. Parks, Circuit Judge in Hawaii; Thomas P. Thornton, U. S. Attorney

for Eastern District of Michigan; Theodore B. Werner, U. S. Marshal for District of South Dakota; Watson B. Miller, to be Commissioner of Immigration and Naturalization; Col. George A. Lincoln, professor of social sciences at Military Academy; together with 122 nominations in the Diplomatic and Foreign Service; 179 in the Public Health Service; 627 in the Navy; 5,834 in the Army; 3 in the U. S. Coast Guard; and 11 major generals and 24 brigadier generals in the Marine Corps.

The following regular appointments were submitted: Carl R. Gray, Jr., as Veterans' Administrator; Charles M. Eldridge, to be U. S. Marshal for Rhode Island; Harry E. Pratt, to be District Judge of Alaska; Vice Adm. William R. Munroe, to be placed on the retired list; Halert C. Shephard, to be a commodore in the Coast Guard; together with 21 appointments in the Public Health Service; 1,206 in the Army; 527 in the Air Force; and 580 in the Navy. Pages 10723-10767

Reports on Committee Meetings

LONG-RANGE FARM PROGRAM

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Subcommittee on November 21 continued its study of long-range farm program with John H. Davis, National Council of Farmers' Cooperatives, giving the recommendations of his council with regard to such a program.

FOREIGN AID—FOOD SUPPLY

Committee on Appropriations: Secretary of Agriculture Anderson testified before the committee on the national food picture with special reference to the amounts available for foreign aid. These hearings are being conducted in connection with anticipated appropriations to be made when Congress enacts the foreign-aid bill now being debated in the Senate. Hearings to be continued.

HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: In executive session committee approved, with an amendment, S. 1770, to amend the National Housing Act (title VI, sec. 603a), by authorizing an additional billion dollars for insurance of housing loans by the FHA. The amendment would change the provision of the law insuring up to 90 percent to make that relate the insurance to the actual cost of construction plus the actual value of the land.

CONSUMER CREDIT

Committee on Banking and Currency: Hearings were opened on S. J. Res. 157, to provide for the regulation of consumer credit for a temporary period, with Gov. R. M. Evans, Federal Reserve Board, testifying in support of the measure. The following witnesses testified in opposition: Kenton R. Cravens, vice president, Mercantile Bank & Trust Co., St. Louis; M. I. Behrens, Jr., vice president, Ludwig Bauman Co., New York City;

Thomas F. Kelly, Vacuum Cleaners Association, Canton, Ohio; Myron R. Bone, vice president, American Industrial Bankers Association, Fort Wayne; H. M. Rhodes, Credit Union National Association, Inc.; and Paul L. Selvy, executive vice president, National Consumer Finance Association. Hearings to be continued.

MARYLAND SENATORIAL ELECTION

Committee on Rules and Administration: In executive session the Subcommittee on Privileges and Elections continued its examination of the remaining contested-election ballots cast in the Maryland senatorial election. Meets again tomorrow, November 25.

AIRCRAFT PROCUREMENT

Special Committee to Investigate the National Defense Program: The second phase of aircraft procurement hearings were concluded on November 22, after receiving testimony from Gen. H. H. Arnold, and a statement by Senator Ferguson. On November 21 the committee heard further testimony from B. H. Lamarre, Aviation

Electric Corp.; Maj. Gen. Bennett E. Meyers; and Ray A. Curnutt, General Meyers' father-in-law.

OIL SUPPLY—INDEPENDENT DISTRIBUTORS

Special Committee to Study Problems of American Small Business: Subcommittee held hearings on problems of oil supply and distribution affecting the interests of American small businessmen. Independent distributors presented their problems of getting sufficient supply of oil for distribution, and officials of two big oil distributors also testified. Witnesses heard include: Babson Hewitt, Coastal Terminals, Inc., South Carolina; B. Heller, Paterson Fuel Oil Co., Paterson, N. J.; Leo E. Cavnagana, Pioneer Fuel Oil Co., Union City, N. J.; John F. DiLorenzo, Boulevard Fuel Oil Co., Bogota, N. J.; F. M. O'Connor, the Conn Oil Corp., New York City; Howard P. Sears, Sears Oil Co., Rome, N. Y.; B. A. Parks, Parks Fuel Co., Ridgewood, N. J.; J. H. White, Hewitt Oil Co., Charleston, S. C.; W. L. Heinz, Columbia, S. C.; M. J. Rathbone, president, Standard Oil Co. of New Jersey; and R. J. Hall, Cities Service Co., New York. Hearings to be continued.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Nineteen public bills, H. R. 4547-4565; six private bills, H. R. 4566-4571; and twenty resolutions, H. Res. 363-378, and H. J. Res. 261-264, were introduced. Pages 10770, 10780, 10794-10803, 10818-10819

Bill Reported: One bill was reported, as follows: H. R. 420, for relief of Esther Ringel (H. Rept. 1138).

Other report numbers were given to the resolutions on contempt citations. Page 10818

Presidential Messages: Received messages from the President of the United States transmitting the following:

Annual Report for the Office of Alien Property Custodian for year ending June 30, 1946. Referred to Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce, and ordered printed as H. Doc. 465. Page 10769

First Quarterly Report of Expenditures and Activities Under the United States Foreign Relief Program. Referred to Committee on Foreign Affairs and ordered printed as H. Doc. 466. Pages 10768-10769

Supplemental estimate of appropriation in amount of \$490,000,000 for fiscal 1948 for the Department of the Army, Civil Functions. Referred to Committee on Appropriations and ordered printed as H. Doc. 467. Page 10818

Contempt Citations: Adopted 10 resolutions, citing witnesses for contempt, by refusal to answer questions before the Committee on Un-American Activities:

H. Res. 363 (H. Rept. 1128), citing Albert Maltz, adopted by roll-call vote, 347 yeas to 17 nays. Pages 10769-10779

H. Res. 367 (H. Rept. 1129), citing Dalton Trumbo, adopted by division vote, 240 yeas to 16 noes. Pages 10779-10793

The following resolutions were adopted by voice vote: H. Res. 368 (H. Rept. 1130), citing Samuel Ornitz. H. Res. 369 (H. Rept. 1131), citing Robert Adrian Scott.

H. Res. 370 (H. Rept. 1132), citing John Howard Lawson.

H. Res. 371 (H. Rept. 1133), citing Edward Dmytryk.

H. Res. 374 (H. Rept. 1134), citing Lester Cole.

H. Res. 375 (H. Rept. 1135), citing Alvah Bessie.

H. Res. 376 (H. Rept. 1136), citing Herbert Biberman.

H. Res. 377 (H. Rept. 1137), citing Ring Lardner, Jr. Pages 10793-10803

Reports on Committee Meetings

FAIR LABOR STANDARDS ACT

Committee on Education and Labor: November 21 and 24, Subcommittee on Wages and Hours continued hear-

ings on proposed amendments to the Fair Labor Standards Act by receiving further testimony from Hon. William R. McComb, Administrator, Wage and Hour and Public Contracts Division, Department of Labor. Hearing concludes tomorrow, November 25.

FOREIGN AID

Committee on Foreign Affairs: November 21, met and heard Representatives Case of South Dakota, Cox, and Vursell, on Emergency Foreign Aid.

November 24, met in executive session. Meeting will be continued.

ALASKAN SHIPPING

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: November 21, Subcommittee on Alaskan Problems met and heard Gilbert W. Skinner, president, Alaska Steamship Co.; William Semar, general manager, Northland Transportation Co.; Norton Clapp, president, Alaska Transportation Co.; Gov. E. Gruening, Territory of Alaska; Ralph J. Rivers, Attorney General of Alaska; Malcolm D. Miller, special counsel for the Attorney General of Alaska; and Donald J. O'Connor, economic adviser to the Attorney General of Alaska.

TAX REVISION

Committee on Ways and Means: November 21, continued hearings on section 101 of the Internal Revenue Code, and heard Louis Bentzley, international vice president, Food, Tobacco, and Agricultural Workers Union, CIO, and Louis F. Herrman, economist, National Cooperative Milk Producers Federation, Washington, D. C., both of whom favored tax exemption for cooperatives. November 24, Representative Ploeser appeared and presented to the committee certain factual data with regard to cooperative organizations. Hearing to be continued.

REPORT ON JOINT COMMITTEE MEETINGS

ANTI-INFLATION PROGRAM

Joint Committee on the Economic Report: Hearings were continued on the anti-inflation program with testimony from the following officials of the Production and Marketing Administration: Carl C. Farrington, Assistant Administrator; F. Marion Rhodes, Assistant to the Administrator; and William C. Crow, Director of Marketing Facilities Branch. Hearings to be continued.

Tuesday, November 25, 1947

HIGHLIGHTS

- Senate continued debate on European-aid bill.
- House held routine session and heard special-order speeches on foreign aid.
- Senate banking committee postpones decision on credit control.
- House committee began hearings on domestic anti-inflation program.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 10820-10822.

Bills Introduced: Seven bills were introduced, as follows: S. 1805-S. 1811. Pages 10820, 10821

Bill Reported: One bill was reported, as follows: S. 1770, to amend the National Housing Act, authorizing an additional billion dollars for insurance of housing loans by FHA (S. Rept. 772). Page 10820

Committee Service: On motion of Senator Barkley, Senator Holland was transferred from Committee on Rules and Administration to Committee on Public Works, and Senator Stennis was assigned to the Committees on Rules and Administration and the District of Columbia. Page 10820

Coal Mines: Ordered printed (S. Doc. 109) First Quarterly Report of Secretary of Interior on Underground Conditions in Coal Mines. Pages 10821-10822

Foreign Aid: Senate continued consideration of S. 1774, European interim-aid bill. A minor amendment by Senator Donnell was adopted, as were two by Senator Ball clarifying the purpose of the act and providing that to the maximum extent possible buying policies and methods, under the program, would be followed which would exert the least possible upward pressure on United States prices. Pages 10822-10848

Reports on Committee Meetings

EMERGENCY FOOD SUPPLY

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Six State commissioners of agriculture testified before the committee

in opposition to Government control of agriculture and restriction of production. Testifying were: Tom Linder, Georgia; R. A. Trovatten, Minnesota; J. A. McDonald, Texas; Math Dahl, North Dakota; L. M. Walker, Jr., Virginia; and Frank Farnsworth, Ohio. Benjamin C. Marsh, the People's Lobby, appeared to urge price controls and rationing and Government direction of agricultural production.

FOREIGN AID—FOOD SUPPLY

Committee on Appropriations: The committee continued its hearings in connection with anticipated appropriations for foreign aid, with the following witnesses testifying: J. D. Parel, American Farm Bureau Federation, read a statement for Edward O'Neal, president of the organization; Russell Smith, National Farmers' Union; Ben Thibodeaux, Agricultural Attaché from France; J. T. Sanders, National Grange; Dr. Fred A. Motz, Agricultural Attaché from Austria; Howard Cottam, Agricultural Attaché from Italy; and Maj. Gen. J. D. Balmer. Hearings to be continued.

CONSUMER CREDIT

Committee on Banking and Currency: In executive session it was decided to take no action on consumer credit controls until the committee had heard from the Federal Advisory Council. Marriner S. Eccles, Chairman of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve, will be invited to testify on Monday, December 1, along with the members of the Advisory Council. They will be asked to testify not only on consumer credit controls, but also on bank credit controls and the whole credit picture.

RFC

Committee on Banking and Currency: Special Subcommittee on Investigation of RFC met in executive session

to make preparations for holding further public hearings in December.

OVERSEAS PARCELS

Committee on Civil Service: After hearings on four bills (S. 1760, S. 1761, S. 1772, and S. 1776), to reduce parcel-post rates on packages shipped abroad for relief purposes, a subcommittee composed of Senators Langer, Thye, and O'Connor was designated to meet tomorrow, November 26, to draft a composite bill of the features embodied in the above four measures.

The committee heard the following witnesses today give testimony in support of the general proposition of forwarding food parcels to occupied countries, though the topic of one-half mail rates or no postage charge was touched upon lightly: Paul Aiken, Second Assistant Postmaster General; Roy M. Martin, Under Second Assistant Postmaster General; John Gillen, Deputy in Charge, International Postal Transport Division; A. C. Hahn, Director of Budget, Second Assistant's Office; John D. Hardy, Deputy Second Assistant in Charge of Surface Postal Transport Division; Peter C. Connolly, Solicitor in Charge of Legislation; Vincent B. Waters, Director, International Postal Transport Division; Al Strom, Commissioner of the Budget; John M. Swayze, Chief Counsel, Commodities Branch, Office of International Trade, Department of Commerce; Col. R. N. Lancefield, War Department; Warren P. Blumberg, War Department; and Pastor Fritz O. Evers, Zion Lutheran Church, Baltimore.

MARYLAND SENATORIAL ELECTION

Committee on Rules and Administration: In executive session the Subcommittee on Privileges and Elections continued its examination of the remaining contested-election ballots cast in the Maryland senatorial election. Meets again tomorrow, November 26.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Fourteen public bills, H. R. 4572-4585; nine private bills, H. R. 4586-4594; and three resolutions, H. Res. 379, H. J. Res. 265, and H. Con. Res. 119, were introduced. Pages 10833-10884

Reports: Preliminary reports from the House Select Committee on Foreign Aid—

No. 8. Proposed Principles and Organization for any Program of Foreign Aid (H. Rept. 1141);

No. 10. Foreign Aid and Exhaustion of Natural Resources in Relation to a Stock-Piling Program (H. Rept. 1142);

No. 11. Comparative Analysis of Suggested Plans of Foreign Aid (H. Rept. 1143);

No. 9. Break-Down of European Requirements by Major Categories (H. Rept. 1144);

No. 1. The Italian Crisis and Interim Aid (H. Rept. 1145);

No. 2. The French Crisis and Interim Aid (H. Rept. 1146);

No. 3. Grain Requirements and Availabilities—cereals except rice (H. Rept. 1147);

No. 4. Fertilizer Requirements and Availabilities—Western Europe (H. Rept. 1148);

No. 5. Petroleum Requirements and Availabilities (H. Rept. 1149);

No. 6. United States Steel Requirements and Availabilities—as they affect European needs for interim aid (H. Rept. 1150); and

No. 7. Coal Requirements and Availabilities (H. Rept. 1151). Page 10883

House Salaries: Adopted H. Res. 360 (H. Rept. 1139), providing payment of salaries of pages, Doorkeeper's department, from November 12 to December 31, 1947, inclusive. Page 10849

House Employee: Adopted H. Res. 357 (H. Rept. 1140), authorizing payment of 6 months' salary and \$250 toward the defrayment of funeral expenses to estate of late House employee. Page 10849

Executive Branch: Passed H. R. 4469, amending Public Law 162 of July 1947 to authorize Commission on Organization of the Executive Branch of the Government to procure temporary or intermittent services of experts or consultants or organizations thereof. Page 10850

Special Orders: Under special orders, previously agreed to, Representatives Lodge, Short, Bender, and Taber addressed the House on the subject of foreign aid. Pages 10858-10881

Adjournment: Adjourned at 5:16 p. m., until Friday, November 28, at 12 o'clock noon.

Reports on Committee Meetings

PROCUREMENT AND SUPPLY

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Procurement and Supply met in executive session to consider report to full committee on hearings held on West Coast during recess.

ANTI-INFLATION PROGRAM

Committee on Banking and Currency: Met on anti-inflation program and heard Hon. John W. Snyder, Secretary of the Treasury, and Hon. Oscar L. Chapman, Acting Secretary of the Department of the Interior. Secretary Snyder talked on measures to relieve monetary pressures and also discussed intensified activity in the sale of savings bonds. Acting Secretary Chapman discussed the coal-and-oil outlook and recommended that the President should have residual authority to impose price controls on coal and petroleum and petroleum products and to direct their allocation and rationing, in the event voluntary measures prove to be inadequate.

FAIR LABOR STANDARDS ACT

Committee on Education and Labor: Subcommittee on Wages and Hours concluded the hearings on proposed changes in the Fair Labor Standards Act by receiving further testimony from Hon. William R. McComb, Administrator, Wage and Hour and Public Contracts Division, Department of Labor.

FOREIGN AID

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Met in executive session and announced tentative approval of a bill providing emergency foreign aid. This bill reduces the amount of money asked for by the President for European aid and also provides for aid to China. The committee will meet on the bill again on December 1.

EXPENDITURES

Committee on House Administration: Committee met in executive session and ordered favorably reported H. Res. 360, providing for expenditures of funds from the contingent fund of the House for 50 pages from November 12 to December 31, 1947.

IMMIGRATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Immigration and Naturalization met in executive session and ordered 14 private immigration bills reported favorably to the full committee.

TAX REVISION

Committee on Ways and Means: Met and heard Ben C. McCabe, Minneapolis, Minn., president, National Tax Equality Association, testify in opposition to tax exemption of cooperative enterprises. Mr. McCabe was assisted in his presentation by Homer E. Marsh, research director; A. W. Adcock, general counsel; and Leonard Calhoun, counsel; all of the National Tax Equality Association. Hearing concludes tomorrow, November 26.

REPORT ON JOINT COMMITTEE MEETINGS

ATOMIC ENERGY

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: In executive session the committee considered general business matters but made no announcement. Committee meets again tomorrow, November 26.

ANTI-INFLATION PROGRAM

Joint Committee on the Economic Report: Chairman Eccles, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve, appeared before the committee to discuss "what might be done in the monetary and credit field to deal with inflationary forces." To answer that he said it would be necessary "to make a correct diagnosis of the multiple causes of the situation with which we are now confronted." He recommended "that all commercial banks be required as a temporary measure to hold some percentage of their demand and time deposits, in addition to present reserves, in a special reserve in the form either of short-term Government securities or cash, cash items, interbank balances, or balances with Federal Reserve Banks."

OIL SUPPLY

Special Committee to Study Problems of American Small Business: Subcommittee continued hearings on problems of oil supply and distribution affecting the in-

terests of American small business, with the following witnesses testifying: Howard P. Sears, Sears Oil Co., Rome, N. Y.; M. J. Rathbone, president, Standard Oil Co. of New York; John Phelps, Cortland, N. Y.; W. L.

Heinz, South Carolina Oil Jobbers Association, Columbia, S. C.; George D. McDaniel, Socony-Vacuum Oil Co., New York; and R. M. Bartlett, vice president, Gulf Oil Corp. Hearings continue next week.

Wednesday, November 26, 1947

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate continued work on European interim-aid bill, and by vote of 30 to 56 refused to reduce the amount of aid to \$400 million.

House not in session.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 10884-10889.

Bills Introduced: Five bills were introduced, as follows: S. 1812 to S. 1816. Page 10888

Bill Referred: The following House-passed bill was referred to the Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: H. R. 4469. (For passage in House, see Digest, p. D454.) Page 10888

Foreign Aid: Senate continued debate on S. 1774, European interim-aid bill, adopting three amendments by Senator Donnell: relating to payments for commodities in local currency and later use as agreed upon by the member country and the United States; relating to the distribution of supplies in Austria; and prohibiting the President from delegating authority under this act to any official other than the Secretary of State. Another amendment by Senator Donnell was defeated, which would have authorized, instead of a lump sum, 42 million dollars for Austria, 328 million dollars for France, and 227 million dollars for Italy.

A group of amendments considered en bloc and sponsored by Senators Malone, Bricker, Kern, Williams, Wilson, Ecton, Dworshak, and Jenner were defeated by voice vote, which would have prohibited the granting of funds (restricting relief to commodities) to recipient governments and requiring these commodities to be distributed by them without cost to their people. Another amendment, sponsored by the same eight Senators, to reduce the authorization from 597 million dollars to 400 million dollars, was defeated 30 yeas to 56 nays.

An amendment by Senator Knowland was adopted permitting the Commodity Credit Corporation to dispose of certain commodities distributed under the relief program at varying prices. Pages 10889-10919

Nominations: The following nominations were received: Jesse M. Donaldson, as Postmaster General; Admiral Louis E. Denfeld, to be Chief of Naval Operations; James Boyd, as Director of the Bureau of Mines; together with 12 appointments in the Navy. Page 10920

Recess: Senate recessed at 5:10 p. m. until noon Friday, November 28.

Reports on Committee Meetings

FOOT-AND-MOUTH DISEASE

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Subcommittee met in executive session with Dr. S. O. Fladness, Bureau of Animal Industry, to discuss the foot-and-mouth-disease situation in Mexico.

FOREIGN AID—FOOD SUPPLY

Committee on Appropriations: Committee continued hearings in connection with anticipated appropriations for foreign aid, hearing nine witnesses representing grain exchanges, and three persons presenting testimony on sweetpotatoes: Price Feuquay, Board of Trade, Enid, Okla.; George Kublin, Board of Trade, Kansas City, Mo.; J. L. Welsh, Omaha Grain Exchange; Campbell Siegfried, Sioux City, Iowa, Grain Exchange; Howard I. McMillan, Minneapolis Grain Exchange; Richard Uhlmann, Chicago Board of Trade; Philip W. Pillsbury, president, Pillsbury Mills, Inc., Minneapolis; Gerald Kennedy, vice president, and Don Stevens, General

Mills, Inc.; and Felix Dezauche, Louisiana, Ralph Dulancy, Maryland, and Robert A. Mairs, Maryland, representing independent sweetpotato producers.

OVERSEAS PARCELS

Committee on Civil Service: Subcommittee met in executive session to draft a composite bill embodying the features of four bills to reduce rates on packages shipped abroad for relief purposes, on which the full committee held hearings yesterday. The new bill will be sponsored by Senators Thye, Butler, Green, McMahon, Langer, and O'Connor.

The new bill will provide 25 percent parcel-post charge on the grounds that a great deal of valueless contents would be eliminated which would be shipped if there were no charge. The witnesses yesterday proposed that rates should be kept at a minimum, though not free.

On November 28 the subcommittee will report the new draft to the full committee; it will include pro-

visions for ease of administration and will link the food and clothing program closely to the pending general relief legislation, as well as direct various agencies of the Government to provide assistance to the Post Office Department.

These reduced postal rates would apply to packages going to the following countries: Belgium, Denmark, France, Greece, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Luxemburg, Netherlands, Norway, Portugal, Sweden, Switzerland, Turkey, the United Kingdom, China, Czechoslovakia, Poland, Austria, Japan, and the four zones of occupied Germany.

MARYLAND SENATORIAL ELECTION

Committee on Rules and Administration: In executive session the Subcommittee on Privileges and Elections continued its examination of the remaining contested-election ballots cast in the Maryland senatorial election.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Friday, November 28, at 12 o'clock noon.

Reports on Committee Meetings

ANTI-INFLATION PROGRAM

Committee on Banking and Currency: Met on the anti-inflation program and heard Secretary of Agriculture Anderson recommend stand-by authority for the President on price control and rationing which he referred to as good insurance. He also recommended the extension for 2 years of export controls and stated that he felt that the Department of Agriculture should have authority to regulate margins as necessary to prevent unrestrained speculation in commodity exchanges.

INDIANS

Committee on Public Lands: The D'Ewart subcommittee met in executive session and prepared a report on the Navaho Indian situation, which report will be submitted to the chairman of the full committee.

TAX REVISION

Committee on Ways and Means: Concluded public hearings on the tax-exempt cooperative phase of the

general tax-revision program and heard Karl D. Loos, Washington, D. C., chairman, legal and tax committee, National Council of Farmer Cooperatives, and Harry B. Caldwell, master, North Carolina State Grange, both of whom testified in favor of tax exemption for cooperative enterprises.

REPORT ON JOINT COMMITTEE MEETINGS

ATOMIC ENERGY

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: In executive session the committee discussed its activities and those of its staff during the recess of Congress. Meets again November 28.

ANTI-INFLATION PROGRAM

Joint Committee on the Economic Report: Hearings were continued on the anti-inflation program, with Secretary of Commerce Harriman stating his reasons for urging "the use of consumer-credit controls, the allocation of railroad equipment and facilities, export controls, and the priority and allocation powers, in order to assist in the anti-inflation program." Hearings will be continued.

Friday, November 28, 1947

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate continued work on foreign-aid bill.

House heard special-order speeches.

Senate subcommittees appointed to study transportation and oil.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 10920-10921.

Bills Introduced: Three bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1817 to S. 1819; S. Res. 171 and 172. Page 10921

Foreign Aid: Senate continued debate on S. 1774, European interim-aid bill, and adopted the following amendments: Senator Ferguson's to permit members of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, the House Foreign Affairs Committee, and the Appropriations Committees of the two Houses to observe and report on commodities distributed abroad; Senator Donnell's to modify his previous amendment relating to the operation of the revolving fund; and Senator Taylor's to prohibit use of funds for the purchase of arms, armament, or munitions of war under this act.

A series of amendments by Senator Kem is pending.

Pages 10921-10935

Reports on Committee Meetings

OVERSEAS PARCELS

Committee on Civil Service: Met briefly on legislation to reduce rates on packages shipped abroad for relief purposes. Committee meets again on this subject on December 2.

TRANSPORTATION, OIL, AND LIQUOR

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: In executive session it was agreed to appoint a subcommittee to study S. 1812, to establish a Department of Transportation. A subcommittee report was submitted to the full committee on S. 265, prohibiting liquor advertising in interstate commerce. It was also agreed to appoint a subcommittee of five to study the oil situation.

Sundry nominations were approved for reporting to the Senate.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Five public bills, H. R. 4595-4599; four private bills, H. R. 4600-4603; and six resolutions, H. Res. 380-383, and H. J. Res. 266 and 267, were introduced. Pages 10948-10949

New Member Sworn: Representative-elect Donald W. Nicholson, of the Ninth Congressional District of Massachusetts, appeared in the well of the House and was sworn in as a Member of the House of Representatives. Page 10935

Special Orders: No legislation was considered by the membership. Under special orders previously agreed to, Representatives Buffett, Hoffman, Bakewell, and Jarman addressed the House. Pages 10939-10948

Adjournment: Adjourned at 2:05 p. m., until Tuesday, December 2, at 12 noon.

REPORT ON JOINT COMMITTEE MEETINGS

ANTI-INFLATION

Joint Committee on the Economic Report: Committee concluded questioning Secretary of Commerce Harriman on his statement on use of consumer credit controls, the allocation of railroad equipment and facilities, export controls, and the priority and allocation powers in order to assist in the anti-inflation program.

Secretary of the Treasury Snyder discussed measures to relieve monetary pressures, devoting most of his testimony to an "intensified activity in the sale of savings bonds." He touched briefly on consumer credit controls

with some restraint on inflationary bank credit and legislation to prevent excessive speculation on the commodity exchanges.

ATOMIC ENERGY

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Met in executive session.

Monday, December 1, 1947

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed foreign-aid bill by a vote of 83 to 6.

House not in session.

Investigations of Armed Forces oil supply and disability retirements announced by House Committee.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, page 10955.

Bills Introduced: Seven bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1820 to S. 1826; S. J. Res. 160; S. Con. Res. 35. *Pages 10955, 10969*

Panama Canal: Received report from Panama Canal Governor on "Means of Increasing the Capacity and Security of the Panama Canal," which was referred to the Committee on Armed Services. *Page 10949*

Maritime: Received Presidential message asking extension of authority to June 30, 1949, for Maritime Commission "to operate, sell, and charter Government-owned vessels which were built during the war," which was referred to the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce. *Page 10963*

Foreign Aid: Senate passed S. 1774, European interim-aid bill, 83 yeas to 6 nays.

Earlier three amendments by Senator Kern had been adopted relating to reports to be made under the program, and providing that the United States press and radio may observe operations. An amendment by Senator Vandenberg was adopted by voice vote providing that commodities distributed shall be marked as being furnished by the United States without charge. An amendment by Senator Wherry, prohibiting this act from being deemed as giving authority to control prices, production, or make allocations in the United States was adopted.

An amendment by Senator Taylor to have the relief funds distributed by the UN was rejected by voice vote. *Pages 10955-10980*

Reorganization: Discussed H. R. 4469, procurement of personnel for the Commission on Organization of

the Executive Branch of the Government, and made it the unfinished business. *Pages 10980-10982*

Nominations: The following recess appointments were received: John R. Alison, to be Assistant Secretary of Commerce; Lawrence C. Kingsland, as Commissioner of Patents; and Joe E. Daniels, as Assistant Commissioner of Patents. One appointment in the Coast and Geodetic Survey was also received. *Page 10991*

Adjournment: Senate adjourned at 5:45 p. m. until noon Thursday, December 4.

Reports on Committee Meetings

MARYLAND SENATORIAL ELECTION

Committee on Rules and Administration: In executive session the Subcommittee on Privileges and Elections continued its examination of the remaining contested-election ballots in the Maryland senatorial election.

OIL SUPPLY—INDEPENDENT DISTRIBUTORS

Special Committee to Study Problems of American Small Business: Subcommittee continued hearings on problems of oil supply and distribution affecting the interests of American small business, with the following nine witnesses testifying: R. M. Bartlett, vice president, Gulf Oil Corp., Pittsburgh; Walter Hochuli, sales manager, Texas Co., New York City; R. H. Colley, president, and Mr. Suppreé, Atlantic Refining Co., Philadelphia; Ray Parker, Hartol Petroleum Corp., New York City; E. M. Morrison, Jr., sales manager, Royal Petroleum Corp., New York City; Howard P. Sears, Sears Oil Co., Rome, N. Y.; F. M. O'Connor, ConnOil Corp., New York City; and Mr. Aron, Supreme Oil Terminal Corp., Brooklyn.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Tuesday, December 2, at 12 o'clock noon.

Reports on Committee Meetings

RUBBER—OIL—RETIREMENTS

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee No. 3 met on permanent rubber policy and heard A. L. Viles, president, Rubber Manufacturers' Assn.; John L. Collyer, president, B. F. Goodrich Co.; and J. P. Seiberling, president, Seiberling Co. Hearing to be continued.

Subcommittee No. 12 met in executive session and later announced that an investigation will be made by a special subcommittee of the Committee on Armed Services into the adequacy of the Nation's oil reserves, with particular regard to the oil needs of the Armed Forces. The special subcommittee on oil survey is composed of Representatives Short (chairman), Arends, Cole of New York, Johnson of Texas, and Kilday.

Announcement was also made of an investigation of physical-disability retirements of members of the Armed Services to be conducted by the Legal Subcommittee of which Representative Elston is chairman.

ANTI-INFLATION PROGRAM

Committee on Banking and Currency: Continued hearings on anti-inflation program and heard W. Averell

Harriman, Secretary of Commerce, who testified particularly on that part of the President's program which comes under the jurisdiction of the Department of Commerce. Mr. Harriman advocated authority for administration to control installment credit, transportation, exports, rationing, and price controls. Hearings will be continued.

RFC AUDIT—WAR-CONTRACT FRAUD

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Subcommittee on Procurement and Buildings met in executive session on the GAO audit of the Reconstruction Finance Corporation and fraud in war-contract termination. Meeting will be continued.

FOREIGN AID

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Met in executive session and informally approved the draft bill which provides \$590,000,000 for foreign aid. Meeting will be continued.

FOREIGN SHIPMENTS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Held hearings on H. Res. 366, providing that the Secretary of Commerce be requested to furnish information concerning shipments of heavy machinery, farm equipment, and freight cars to the Soviet Union since January 1, 1947, and heard Representatives Mundt, Keefe, and Keating, and Hon. William C. Foster, Under Secretary of Commerce.

Tuesday, December 2, 1947

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate not in session.

Foreign interim-aid bill reported in the House.

Overseas parcel-post bill given tentative approval.

Senate

Chamber Action

The Senate was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Thursday, December 4, at 12 o'clock noon.

Reports on Committee Meetings

FOREIGN AID

Committee on Appropriations: Continuing hearings on the foreign-aid program, testimony was received

from Secretary of Commerce Harriman and Assistant Secretary of the Interior Warne.

HOUSING NOMINATIONS

Committee on Banking and Currency: Unanimously approved the nominations of Raymond M. Foley, as Housing and Home Finance Administrator, and Franklin D. Richards, as Federal Housing Commissioner.

CONSUMER CREDIT

Committee on Banking and Currency: Committee held further hearings on S. J. Res. 157, to provide for the regulation of consumer credit for a temporary period, with Secretary of the Treasury Snyder and the following members of the Federal Advisory Council testifying: Robert Fleming, president, Riggs National Bank; David E. Williams, president, Corn Exchange National Bank & Trust Co., Philadelphia; and John H. McCoy, president, City National Bank & Trust Co., Columbus, Ohio. Hearings to be continued.

OVERSEAS PARCELS

Committee on Civil Service: Tentative approval was given to S. 1813, to reduce parcel-post rates on packages shipped abroad for relief purposes, subject to advice from the Foreign Relations Committee on the inclusion or exclusion of certain countries. Earlier the following witnesses had testified: Edward E. Kunze, Relief and Rehabilitation Director, State Department; Adolph Majower, private citizen; Frederick J. Libby, National Committee for the Prevention of War; Col. Robert Lancefield, Army Department; and Robert J. Tracy, Army Budget Office.

DIPLOMATIC NOMINATIONS

Committee on Foreign Relations: In executive session approved a group of diplomatic nominations including representatives to UNESCO and the UN General Assembly. (For listing of diplomatic nominations, see

D450.) The committee has scheduled a session on the Rio Treaty for 10 a. m., December 4.

OIL AND COAL

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee on Oil and Coal Shortage held its first organizational meeting.

PUBLIC LANDS

Committee on Public Lands: Held an executive session to plan work for the committee for the second session of the 80th Congress.

Senator Cordon, as chairman of the Territories and Insular Affairs Subcommittee, was directed to make a preliminary investigation in Hawaii on the operation of the territorial government and report to the full committee in the second session. This report will be used in connection with full committee consideration of the Hawaii-statehood bill.

MARYLAND SENATORIAL ELECTION

Committee on Rules and Administration: In executive session the Subcommittee on Privileges and Elections continued its examination of the remaining contested-election ballots in the Maryland senatorial election.

OIL SUPPLY—INDEPENDENT DISTRIBUTORS

Special Committee to Study Problems of American Small Business: Subcommittee continued hearings on problems of oil supply and distribution affecting the interests of American small business, with testimony from Oscar L. Chapman, Under Secretary of Interior; ODT Director J. Monroe Johnson; Henry Esser, president, High Point Terminals; R. M. Bartlett, Gulf Oil Corp.; Robert Dunlap, president, Sun Oil Co.; J. Stickel, vice president, Crown Central Petroleum Corp.; Howard P. Sears, Sears Oil Co.; Stanley Hodges, James River Oil Co.; P. H. Gish, Consumer Oil Co.; B. C. Graves, Union Tank Car Co.; and H. E. Coile, General American Transportation.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Twenty-four public bills, H. R. 4604-4627; four private bills, H. R. 4628-4631; and three resolutions, H. Res. 384 and 385, and H. J. Res. 268, were introduced. Page 11008-11009

Bill Reported: One bill was reported, as follows: H. R. 4604, interim-aid bill for foreign countries (H. Rept. 1152). Page 11008

Panama Canal: President transmitted report from the Governor of the Panama Canal on "Means of Increasing the Capacity and Security of the Panama Canal," which was referred to the Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries. Page 11002

Maritime: Received Presidential message asking extension of authority from February 29, 1948, to June 30, 1949, for Maritime Commission "to operate, sell, and charter Government-owned vessels which were built during the war," which was referred to the Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries and ordered printed as a House Document (H. Doc. 468). Page 11002

Private Calendar: By unanimous consent, the House dispensed with consideration of the Private Calendar. Page 10996

Special Orders: No legislation was considered by the membership. Under a special order previously agreed to, Representative Bolton addressed the House on the subject of foreign aid. Pages 11002-11008

Adjournment: Adjourned at 2:26 p. m., until Thursday, December 4, at 11 a. m.

Reports on Committee Meetings

RUBBER

Committee on Armed Services: Organization Subcommittee continued hearings on permanent rubber legislation, and heard Harvey S. Firestone, Jr., president, Firestone Tire & Rubber Co.; Harrison S. Royce, vice president and purchasing agent, Boston Woven Hose Co.; George M. Tisdale, vice president, U. S. Tire & Rubber Co.; Robert S. Wilson, vice president, Goodyear Tire & Rubber Co.; Fred Mayfield, technical adviser, General Tire Co.; and Allen Grant, Chas. T. Wilson Co., New York City. Hearings will be continued.

ANTI-INFLATION PROGRAM

Committee on Banking and Currency: Met on anti-inflation program and heard Secretary of Labor Lewis B. Schwellenbach recommend authority for the administration to impose wage controls, which he feels are essential to maintain price ceilings which may be placed in effect. He also recommended the establishment of a Wage Board in the Department of Labor to assist management and labor in trying, on a voluntary basis, to maintain price-wage stability. Hearings to be continued.

ST. ELIZABETHS HOSPITAL

Committee on Education and Labor: Buck subcommittee held hearings on voluntary admission and treatment of mental patients at St. Elizabeths Hospital, and heard Dr. Winfred Overholser, Superintendent, St. Elizabeths; Sidney A. Saperstein, from Office of General Counsel, Federal Security Agency; Frederick H. Thuee, alternate chairman, District of Columbia Commission on Mental Health; Dr. William C. Woodward, chairman, subcommittee on mental disorders, District of Columbia Bar Association; Irving Bryan, Assistant Corporation Counsel for District of Columbia; Arthur C. Katin, member of subcommittee on mental disorders, District of Columbia Bar Association; Samuel Friedman, and John A. Savage, representing American Equity Association; and M. Sanger, former Assistant Superintendent of St. Elizabeths. Statement was submitted by Dr. Robert Felix, United States Public Health Service.

SURPLUS—RFC AUDIT

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Surplus Property Subcommittee held hearings on disposal of surplus steam generating plant located at the Oklahoma Ordnance Works, Pryor, Okla., and heard Jess Larson, Acting Administrator, WAA; Edward L. Bridges, WAA; James W. Follin, Alan Johnstone, and Maxwell Elliott, Federal Works Agency; Dr. J. A. Jessel, Federal Power Commission; and France Paris, general manager, Grand River Dam Authority, Vinita, Okla. Hearing to be continued.

Subcommittee on Procurement and Buildings met on report of the General Accounting Office of its audit of the Reconstruction Finance Corporation. Chairman Bender's opening statement disclosed that—

The General Accounting Office has reported certain major deficiencies and unnecessary losses in the wartime operations of the RFC and its subsidiary corporations. Among these are:

1. The bypassing of regular Congressional appropriation procedures through the abuse of the RFC's borrowing and lending powers;
2. The overpayment of more than nine million dollars to railroads by RFC subsidiaries during the war;
3. The failure of Defense Plants Corporation to make adequate collection of rentals due from lessees of war plants built by it at the cost of billions of the taxpayers' moneys;
4. The failure of the U. S. Commercial Company to maintain adequate financial records for approximately 200 million dollars of wartime trading expenditures;
5. The failure of Defense Plants Corporation to maintain adequate control over plant facilities and inventories procured by it at a cost of seven billion dollars;
6. The unnecessary loss of millions of dollars in the construction and operation of certain war plant facilities due to the division of management responsibilities between the Defense Plants Corporation and other Government agencies during the war.

The subcommittee received testimony from T. Coleman Andrews, former Director, Corporate Audits Division, GAO.

FOREIGN AID

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Met in executive session on the interim-aid bill for foreign countries.

FOREIGN EXPORTS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Met in executive session on H. Res. 366, shipments of heavy machinery, farm equipment, and freight cars to foreign countries. The bill was ordered favorably reported as amended.

The committee announced open hearing on Thursday, December 4, on H. Res. 380, to request the Department of Commerce to furnish the House information pertaining to the exports of coal and oil, and H. Res. 382, to request the ODT to furnish the House information concerning shortage of coal cars used in transportation of coal to New England and whether coal cars released from Great Lakes terminal can be assigned to New England.

DAIRIES, RELIEF

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 2 conducted hearings on H. R. 3103 and H. R. 3646, to provide equitable relief to contractors who furnished dairy products to armed forces, and heard Representatives Johnson of Illinois, Peterson, and Heselton; Col. Benjamin F. Castle, executive director, Dairy Industry Foundation; C. W. Hunt, Indianapolis, Ind.; and E. C. Fogg III, of Miami, Fla., all of whom testified in support of the legislation.

INDIANS

Committee on Public Lands: Full committee met and received report of the Subcommittee on Indian Affairs on condition of Indians on Navaho and Hopi Reservations.

TAX REVISION

Committee on Ways and Means: Continued hearings on general tax revisions and heard Rollin Browne, chair-

man, committee on taxation, the Association of the Bar of the City of New York; assisted by Henry Casserote Smith, Marvin Lyons, John P. Ohl, and George S. Kock, who presented recommendations covering several amendments to the Internal Revenue Code. Hearings will be continued.

REPORT ON JOINT COMMITTEE MEETINGS

ANTI-INFLATION

Joint Committee on the Economic Report: Continuing hearings on the anti-inflation program, committee heard the following representatives of the grain trade: J. O. McClintock, Chicago Board of Trade; Henry H. Cate, Flour Mills of America, Inc.; Roy D. Crawford, Farmers Union Jobbing Association; and Roland S. Vaile, professor of economics, University of Minnesota. Hearings to be continued.

Thursday, December 4, 1947

HIGHLIGHTS

- Senate received Inter-American Treaty and passed bill on personnel for Executive Branch Commission.
- House begins debate on foreign interim-aid bill.
- Many nominations approved by Senate groups.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 11011-11018.

Bills Introduced: Sixteen bills and three resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1827 to S. 1842; S. J. Res. 161, 162; S. Res. 173. *Pages 11011-11013*

Rio Treaty: Received the Inter-American Treaty of Reciprocal Assistance formulated at Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, on September 2, 1947 (Executive II); also received a report by the Acting Secretary of State on the Treaty. *Pages 11013-11016*

Personnel: Senate passed H. R. 4469, procurement of personnel for the Commission on Organization of the Executive Branch of the Government, after adopting clarifying amendments by Senators Aiken and O'Mahoney. *Pages 11018-11022*

Nominations: The following nominations were received: Herbert S. Bursley, as Ambassador to Honduras; Avra M. Warren, as Minister to Finland; recess appointment of Paul Aiken, as Second Assistant Postmaster

General; together with 13 general officers in the Air Force, 1 officer in the Army, and 19 in the Navy. *Page 11031*

Confirmations: Four appointments in the Coast Guard were approved. *Page 11031*

Recess: Senate recessed, in executive session, at 3 p. m. until noon Monday, December 8.

Reports on Committee Meetings

FOREIGN AID

Committee on Appropriations: Heard testimony from Under Secretary of State Robert A. Lovett on foreign-aid program. Hearings to be continued with further testimony from same witness.

NOMINATIONS FOR ARMED FORCES

Committee on Armed Services: In executive session the committee reported favorably approximately 9,000 military and naval officers, plus 13 top posts in the National Defense Establishment, including William H. Draper,

Jr., Under Secretary of Army; Gordon Gray, Assistant Secretary of Army; John L. Sullivan, Secretary of Navy; W. John Kenney, Under Secretary of Navy; W. Stuart Symington, Secretary of Air Force; Arthur S. Barrows, Under Secretary of Air Force; Cornelius V. Whitney, Assistant Secretary of Air Force; Eugene M. Zuckart, Assistant Secretary of Air Force; Maj. Gen. Carl Spaatz, Chief of Staff, United States Air Force; and Rear Adm. Roscoe Hillenkoetter, Director of Central Intelligence.

On December 3 a subcommittee composed of Senators Morse, Robertson of Wyoming, and Maybank heard Col. Fred L. Hamilton, United States Army (retired), and Joseph A. Todd, State Department, on the question of returning horses to the Hungarian Government. Subcommittee hearings to be continued on this subject.

CONSUMER CREDIT

Committee on Banking and Currency: Hearings were continued on S. J. Res. 157, to provide for the regulation of consumer credit for a temporary period, with Chairman of the Federal Reserve Board Marriner S. Eccles testifying in support of the bill.

On December 3, in hearings on the same bill, Robert Nathan, a member of the National Planning Committee, and Mrs. Louise F. Anderson, League of Women Voters, testified in support of the bill, and Richard Long, of Massachusetts Social Security Association, opposed the measure.

SURPLUS PROPERTY

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: In executive session, the committee discussed its future program, various memoranda by its staff, audit reports by the Comptroller General, and appointed subcommittees to study H. R. 2239, to sell or lease surplus property to States or subdivisions thereof for their civilian components of the armed forces, and S. 1747, to authorize credit in certain accounts of United States property and disbursing officers under the War Department, with particular reference to support of National Guard. Committee meets again December 11.

RIO TREATY

Committee on Foreign Relations: Unanimously approved the Rio Treaty (Executive II). The committee has authority to file a report on the Treaty during the recess of the Senate.

EXPORT CONTROL AND NOMINATIONS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee heard ODT General Counsel Francis Silver, and Robert L. Glenn, Office of Manpower of the ODT, testify in support of S. 1807, to provide for temporary extension of the Export Control Act and title III of the Second War Powers Act (allocation controls including rail transportation). Subcommittee hearings to be continued on this bill.

Subcommittees held routine hearings on the following four judgeship nominations: Sylvester J. Ryan, New York, to be district attorney for southern district of New York; Roy W. Harper, Missouri, to be United States district judge for the western district of Missouri; Harry E. Pratt, to be district judge of the fourth district of Alaska; and J. E. Parks, of Hawaii, to be third judge of the First Circuit Court for the Territory of Hawaii. Further hearings will be held on the nomination of Sylvester J. Ryan on December 9.

LABOR, NLRB, AND PUBLIC HEALTH NOMINATIONS

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: In executive session the following nominations were unanimously approved: Robert N. Denham, General Counsel for NLRB; Abe Murdock and J. Copeland Gray, members of the NLRB; David A. Morse, Under Secretary of Labor; John T. Kmetz, Assistant Secretary of Labor; Cyrus Stuart Ching, Federal Mediation and Conciliation Director; and 199 appointments and promotions in the Public Health Service.

The committee approved for reporting S. Res. 172, to provide \$8,000 for general committee expenditures.

The committee program for the second session of the 80th Congress, beginning January 6, was also discussed.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Twelve public bills, H. R. 4632-4643; one private bill, H. R. 4644; ten resolutions, H. Res. 386-393, H. J. Res. 269, and H. Con. Res. 120, were introduced. *Pages 11032, 11035, 11073-11074*

Bills Reported: Adverse report on H. Res. 383, requesting Secretary of Navy to furnish the House of Representatives full information relative to oil tankers under Navy control (H. Rept. 1154). *Page 11072*

Committee Resignations: The Speaker received the resignations of Representative O'Toole from the Committee on Banking and Currency, and Representative Meade of Maryland from the Committee on House Administration. *Page 11032*

Committee Elections: Adopted the following resolutions, thereby electing Members to standing committees of the House:

H. Res. 387, Representatives O'Toole, Meade of Maryland, and Thompson to the Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries.

H. Res. 388, Representative Multer to the Committee on Banking and Currency.

H. Res. 389, Representatives Garmatz and Regan to the Committee on House Administration. Page 11032

Foreign Aid: Adopted H. Res. 386 (H. Rept. 1153), the rule fixing length of debate and conditions governing amendments on the foreign interim-aid bill, H. R. 4604. This open rule grants 12 hours' general debate, after which the bill shall be read for amendment under the 5-minute rule. All points of order against the bill are waived.

This aid measure, H. R. 4604, allows a \$590,000,000 authorization for emergency winter relief to France, Italy, Austria, and China. The amount of \$530,000,000 to be appropriated for western Europe is \$67,000,000 below the Senate European relief bill passed on December 1, but an added \$60,000,000 will be supplied for help to stabilize the currency of China.

The division of the time between the chairman and the ranking minority member of the Committee on Foreign Affairs was further extended to be divided equally between proponents and opponents of the bill on both sides.

Five hours were consumed in general debate and the House will resume consideration December 5. Pages 11035-11072

Reports on Committee Meetings

FOOT-AND-MOUTH DISEASE

Committee on Agriculture: December 3, Subcommittee on Foot and Mouth Disease met and heard testimony from B. T. Simms, Chief, Bureau of Animal Industry, Department of Agriculture, who discussed the program for eradicating foot and mouth disease in Mexico by paying for the destruction of infected animals. Testimony was also heard from Dr. M. R. Clarkson, Robert Kleberg, Gen. Charles H. Corlett (retired), and Charles E. Wiswall. On December 4, the hearing continued and the committee heard Albert Mitchell, New Mexico, chairman, Secretary Anderson's industry advisory committee; C. E. Weymouth, president, Texas & Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association; Ben Williams, rancher, New Mexico and Arizona; F. E. Mollin, secretary, American National Livestock Association; and Tom Armstrong, Armstrong Ranch, Texas. Hearing to be continued.

RUBBER—OIL

Committee on Armed Services: December 3, Subcommittee on Organization and Mobilization continued hearings on the long range rubber program and heard

Dan M. Rugg, vice president, Koppers Co., Pittsburgh, Pa.; H. F. Safford, executive vice president, Ohio Rubber Co.; J. F. Schaeffer, chairman of the board, Cooper Tire & Rubber Co., Findlay, Ohio; Ralph W. McCreary, vice president, McCreary Tire & Rubber Co., Indiana, Pa.; H. W. Fisher, general manager, chemical products department, Standard Oil Co. of New Jersey; E. R. Bridgewater, manager, chemical products division, E. I. du Pont de Nemours & Co.; George J. Burger, Washington office of National Federation of Small Business; and Cecil A. Johnson, Agricultural Research Foundation, Omaha, Nebr. On December 4 the hearing was continued and the subcommittee heard Robert H. Winters, of the Rubber Heel Manufacturers Association, and Wm. T. Heffelfinger, of the Treasury Department.

December 4, full committee met and ordered adversely reported H. Res. 383, which requests the Secretary of the Navy to furnish information relative to tankers under naval control used to transport oil; favorably reported H. R. 2636, which amends the regulations of the Soldiers' Home in Washington, D. C. General Hershey appeared and testified on H. R. 4184, which provides for additional functions, duties, and employees in the Office of Selective Service Records, but this bill was not acted on.

ANTI-INFLATION PROGRAM

Committee on Banking and Currency: December 3, continued hearings on the anti-inflation program and heard Secretary of Agriculture Anderson and Secretary of Labor Schwollenbach, who appeared to answer queries relative to their previously delivered statements. December 4, Secretary of Commerce Harriman reappeared for the same purpose. Hearing to be continued December 8.

PAROLES—RFC AUDIT—LOBBYING—SURPLUS

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: December 3, Subcommittee on Paroles met and heard informally the reports of Representatives Busbey and Dorn, who recently visited Atlanta and Leavenworth. It was decided that the subcommittee would take no further action, awaiting the outcome of the Chicago grand jury proceedings.

December 3, Subcommittee on Procurement and Buildings met on GAO audit of the Reconstruction Finance Corporation and heard Theodore Herz, assistant director of Corporation Audits Division, GAO, who discussed operations of the RFC. On December 4, Mr. Herz continued his testimony. Welford J. Massie, of the Office of General Counsel, GAO, also testified. Hearing will be continued December 9.

December 4, Subcommittee on Publicity and Propaganda held hearings on charges against the Department of Agriculture and some of its personnel, and heard Robert L. Green, Lincoln, Nebr., chairman of the

Nebraska State AAA Committee; and Keith Himebaugh, Director of Information, Department of Agriculture, Washington, D. C.

December 3, Subcommittee on Surplus Property continued hearings on the disposal of surplus steam plant at the Oklahoma Ordnance Works, Pryor, Okla., and heard France Paris, general manager, Grand River Dam Authority; Q. B. Boydston, general counsel, Grand River Dam Authority; W. R. Holway, consulting engineer, Grand River Dam Authority; Clyde Ellis, executive manager, National Rural Electric Cooperative Association, Washington, D. C.; Carlton Nau, general manager, American Public Power Commission, Washington, D. C.; and James W. Follin, Alan Johnstone, and Maxwell Elliott, Federal Works Agency.

December 4, concluded hearings and heard Representatives Schwabe, Johnson, Monroney, and Morris, all of Oklahoma; W. J. Holloway, counsel, Oklahoma Gas & Electric Co.; Otis H. Ellis, War Assets Administration; Jack Burris, county attorney, Mayes County, Okla.; E. L. Bridges, WAA; D. E. Martin, counsel, Grand River Dam Authority; Judge V. E. McInnis, counsel, Public Service Co. of Oklahoma; and R. K. Lane, president, Public Service Co. of Oklahoma.

GERMAN DISMANTLING

Committee on Foreign Affairs: December 4, met in executive session on H. Res. 365, providing for an inquiry on dismantling and removal of plants from Germany.

FOREIGN SHIPMENTS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: December 4, held hearings on H. Res. 380, exports of coal and oil to Canada and other countries; and H. Res. 382, shortage of coal cars for transportation of coal to New England, and heard Hon. William C. Foster, Under Secretary of Commerce; Homer C. King, Deputy Director, Office of Defense Transportation; Arthur H. Gass, Director of Rail Division, Office of Defense Transportation; and Representative Rogers. Following the hearing, the committee met in executive session and ordered both resolutions favorably reported.

PRIVATE BILLS

Committee on the Judiciary: December 3, Subcommittee on Immigration and Naturalization agreed to report favorably to the full committee five private immigration bills.

December 4, Subcommittee on Claims agreed to report favorably to the full committee 31 private bills.

INDIAN RELIEF

Committee on Public Lands: December 4, held hearings on H. R. 4627, emergency relief for Navajo and Hopi Indians, and heard Assistant Secretary of the Interior William E. Warne; William Zimmerman, Jr., Acting

Commissioner, Bureau of Indian Affairs; and John H. Provinse, Assistant Commissioner, Bureau of Indian Affairs. Committee ordered the bill favorably reported to the House.

RULE ON FOREIGN RELIEF

Committee on Rules: December 3, heard Chairman Eaton and Representatives Bloom, Jackson of California, Vorys, Kee, Bolton, Judd, and Lodge in favor of a rule providing consideration of H. R. 4604, a bill to promote world peace and the general welfare, national interest, and foreign policy of the United States by providing aid to certain foreign countries. A resolution waiving points of order against the bill and providing 12 hours of general debate was ordered reported.

FUTURE PROGRAM

Committee on Un-American Activities: December 3, met in executive session and discussed and planned future program of committee.

TAX REVISION

Committee on Ways and Means: December 3, continued hearings on general tax revision and heard Arthur B. Hyman, counsellor at law, New York City, and C. E. Brockway, president, First National Bank, Sharon, Pa. On December 4, hearing continued and testimony was heard from A. R. Kaiser, Sears, Roebuck & Co., representing the National Retail Dry Goods Association, and Robert Lacy, Baltimore, Md. All witnesses presented general and miscellaneous recommendations for technical and administrative changes of the Internal Revenue Code.

BARGE LINE OPERATORS

Select Committee on Small Business: December 3, held hearings on complaints of small barge line operators in opposition to extension of jurisdiction of the Interstate Commerce Committee over transportation by water of all dangerous cargo. Nearly 60 witnesses appeared, nearly all in opposition to proposed extension of jurisdiction. Frank Perrin, of Office of Defense Transportation, appeared in support of the proposal.

Officials of the Coast Guard, which maintains vigilance over methods of handling of dangerous cargoes, testified that present methods are safe and could hardly be improved.

REPORT ON JOINT COMMITTEE MEETINGS

ANTI-INFLATION

Joint Committee on the Economic Report: The committee, in further study of the anti-inflation program, heard representatives of the Coffee and Sugar Exchange, Cocoa Exchange, the American Cotton Shippers Association, and of the New York, New Orleans, and Dallas

Cotton Exchanges, discuss their operations and economic functions in relation to proposed regulations of the exchanges. The witnesses follow: John C. Gardner, president, New York Coffee and Sugar Exchange, Inc.; George C. Schutte, president, New York Cocoa Exchange, Inc.; E. F. Creekmore, American Cotton Shippers Association; Charles Slaughter, New York Cotton Exchange; Edgar A. G. Bright, New Orleans Cotton Exchange; and Karl G. Hunt, Dallas Cotton Exchange.

In hearings on December 3 the committee heard various witnesses on all aspects of the grain trade.

Hearings will be continued.

ATOMIC ENERGY

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: In executive session on December 3 the committee considered its staff security report on various atomic energy installations. Committee meets again tomorrow, December 5.

Friday, December 5, 1947

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate not in session.

House completed general debate on foreign interim-aid bill.

Senate

Chamber Action

The Senate was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Monday, December 8, at 12 o'clock noon.

Reports on Committee Meetings

LONG-RANGE FARMING

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Subcommittee met in executive session on long-range farming program. Meets again tomorrow, December 6.

FOREIGN AID

Committee on Appropriations: Heard further testimony from Under Secretary of State Robert A. Lovett on foreign-aid program.

HUNGARIAN HORSES

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee continued hearings on the question of returning horses to the Hungarian Government, with Joseph A. Todd, State Department, concluding his testimony. Committee meets again December 8.

ANTI-INFLATION

Committee on Banking and Currency: In open hearings on the anti-inflationary recommendations submitted to Congress by the President, the committee heard Edward Brown, president, First National Bank of Chicago, oppose credit control, control of bank credit, as well as

other controls in the form of rationing or as applied to exchanges.

STATE AND FEDERAL TAXATION

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Subcommittee on Intergovernmental Relations met with representatives of the Council of State Governments to discuss the fields of division of taxation between the States and Federal Government as recommended by the Council of State Governments after a meeting in Chicago on September 26 and 27, at which were present 11 Governors, 3 Senators, and 10 Representatives.

The subcommittee, at a later date, will report to the full committee proposals for implementing these recommendations during the present Congress.

The recommendations offered by the Council of State Governments include: (1) that the Federal Government should reduce Federal excise taxes; (2) amend inheritance and estate taxes to provide more equitable division of this revenue between the Federal Government and the States; (3) relinquish to the States the Federal tax on employers levied to cover the administration of State employees' security plans, and the States should assume the responsibility for the administration of the unemployment compensation and employment programs; (4) that the Congress take the earliest possible action to correct the Federal law on income-tax inequities existing between the community-property and non-community-property States; and (5) that the

States should avoid encroachment upon tax fields which are peculiarly adapted to Federal uses.

EXPORT CONTROL

Committee on the Judiciary: In further hearings on S. 1807, to provide for temporary extension of the Ex-

port Control Act and title III of the Second War Powers Act (allocation controls including rail transportation), the committee heard Secretary of Agriculture Anderson, and Dr. D. A. FitzGerald, Office of International Food Conference, Department of Agriculture, testify in support of the bill.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Seven public bills, H. R. 4645-4651; two private bills, H. R. 4652 and 4653; and three resolutions, H. Res. 394 and 395, and H. Con. Res. 121, were introduced. Page 11116

Bills Reported: Bills and resolutions were reported as follows:

H. R. 4627, authorizing appropriations for immediate relief of Navajo and Hopi Indians (H. Rept. 1156);

Disposal of certain executive papers (H. Rept. 1157); and

H. R. 2636, amending the regulations of the Soldiers Home in Washington, D. C. (H. Rept. 1158). Page 11116

Foreign Shipments: Reported, considered, and agreed to H. Res. 366 (H. Rept. 1155), requesting Secretary of Commerce to furnish information concerning sales of supplies to the Soviet Union by firms and individuals in the United States. Page 11116

Foreign Aid: Completed all general debate on H. R. 4604, foreign interim-aid bill, and postponed further consideration until the next meeting of the House. Pages 11077-11116

Reports on Committee Meetings

FUR—FOOT-AND-MOUTH DISEASE

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee on Fur held hearings and heard Winthrop Brown, Chief of the Division of Commercial Policy, Department of State; Joseph H. Francis, of Salt Lake City, Utah, executive secretary of the National Board of Fur Farm Organizations; R. L. Farrington, Director of the RACC, Department of Agriculture; J. E. Wells, Deputy Governor of the Farm Credit Administration; and Representatives Keefe and Andresen.

Subcommittee on Foot and Mouth Disease continued hearings and later met informally in executive session.

TAX REVISION

Committee on Ways and Means: Continued hearings on general tax revision and heard Joseph F. Mann, representing the Association of American Railroads; George Terborgh, research division, Machinery and Allied Products Institute, Washington, D. C.; and L. H. Parker, tax consultant, Washington, D. C., all of whom presented general and miscellaneous recommendations for technical and administrative changes of the Internal Revenue Code. Hearings continue December 8.

REPORT ON JOINT COMMITTEE MEETINGS

ANTI-INFLATION

Joint Committee on the Economic Report: Oscar L. Chapman, Acting Secretary of Interior, discussed the oil and coal picture in relation to the emergency program proposed by the President. He pointed out that the President's emergency program "to secure our national economy bears upon the activities of the Department of the Interior in two especially significant ways: first, because of its responsibility for the conservation and development of the Nation's natural resources, and, second, because of its particular responsibility for coal and oil—two commodities which are in scarce supply and which basically affect industrial production and the cost of living."

He stated "the coal and oil situations are serious in the present inflationary atmosphere because supply and demand for coal are just barely in balance, and because the demand for oil is in excess of available supply. A disturbance in either field could create acute supply and price problems. The Government is not equipped, as it should be, to deal with such possible eventualities."

ATOMIC ENERGY

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Committee met in executive session with members of the Atomic Energy Commission and other Government officials. The meeting was confined to broad coverage of matters relating to atomic energy.

Monday, December 8, 1947

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate by a vote of 72 to 1 ratified Rio Treaty.

House adopted amendment prohibiting formation of any new agency to administer foreign-relief program.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 11117-11121.

Bills Introduced: Five bills were introduced, as follows: S. 1843-S. 1847. Page 11118

Rio Treaty: Senate ratified by a vote of 72 yeas to 1 nay the Inter-American Treaty of Reciprocal Assistance (Rio Treaty, Executive II). (Committee on Foreign Relations filed Executive Report No. 11 on the Treaty on December 5, during the recess.) Pages 11121-11141

Information Exchange: On motion of Senator Smith, rereferred H. R. 3342, United States Information and Educational Exchange Act, to the Committee on Foreign Relations. Page 11118

Indian: Rereferred S. 1820, Indian bill, from Judiciary Committee to the Committee on Public Lands. Page 11118

Nominations: The following nominations were received: Robert M. Scotten, as Minister to New Zealand; and Lt. Gen. Matthew B. Ridgway, to be senior United States Army member of UN Military Staff Committee. Page 11144

Confirmations: The following nominations were confirmed: John H. Hildring, UN General Assembly representative; Frank P. Graham, Indonesia Good Offices Committee; William Benton, Lawrence Duggan, Milton S. Eisenhower, Rubén G. Gustavson, Helen C. White, Detlev W. Bronk, Charles S. Johnson, Louise Leonard Wright, George D. Stoddard, and Howard E. Wilson, as representatives to UNESCO; Admiral Alan G. Kirk, as representative on UN Balkan Committee; Walter J. Donnelly, as Ambassador to Venezuela; H. Freeman Matthews, as Ambassador to Sweden; Paul H. Alling, as Ambassador to Pakistan; Nathaniel P. Davis, as Ambassador to Costa Rica; J. Klahr Huddle, as Ambassador to Burma; Donald R. Heath, as Minister to Bulgaria; James H. Keeley, Jr., as Minister to Syria; William H. Draper, Under Secretary of Army; Gordon Gray, Assistant Secretary of

Army; John L. Sullivan, Secretary of Navy; W. John Kenney, Under Secretary of Navy; Admiral Louis E. Denfeld, Chief of Naval Operations; W. Stuart Symington, Secretary of Air Force; Arthur S. Barrows, Under Secretary of Air Force; Cornelius V. Whitney, and Eugene M. Zuckert, as Assistant Secretaries of Air Force; General Carl Spaatz, Chief of Staff, Air Force; Rear Adm. Roscoe H. Hillenkoetter, Central Intelligence Director; Arthur M. Hill, National Security Resources Board Chairman; Thomas J. Hargrave, Munitions Board Chairman; Vannevar Bush, Research and Development Board Chairman; together with 77 appointments in the Diplomatic and Foreign Service, 1,208 in the Navy, 35 in the Marine Corps, and 7,568 in the Army. Pages 11144-11146

Recess: Recessed at 4:25 p. m. until noon Wednesday, December 10.

Reports on Committee Meetings

LONG-RANGE FARMING

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Subcommittee met in executive session on long-range farming program on December 6 but made no announcement of action taken.

FOREIGN AID

Committee on Appropriations: Continuing investigation on foreign-aid program, heard the following witnesses: Dallas W. Dort, Adviser on Relief and Rehabilitation; Maurice Levy-Hawes, Division of Investment and Economic Development; Glenn H. Craig, Assistant to Under Secretary for Economic Affairs, all of the State Department; O. V. Wells, Bureau of Agricultural Economics; and Kenneth Royall, Secretary of Army.

HUNGARIAN HORSES

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee continued hearings on the question of returning horses to the Hungarian Government and received testimony from James A. Todd, State Department, and Christian P. Norgord, American Humane Association.

Subcommittee Chairman Morse announced that a formal request will be made of the State Department to advise the committee fully regarding the Department's restitution policies and any international agreement having a bearing upon the restitution of property, together with information regarding the status of existing claims for the return of property to foreign governments. Hearings to be continued.

ANTI-INFLATION

Committee on Banking and Currency: In open hearings on the President's anti-inflationary recommendations, Allen Sproul, president, Federal Reserve Bank of New York, testified in favor of controlling consumer credit but against bank credit controls. Full committee meets again Wednesday in executive session on consumer credit.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Fifteen public bills, H. R. 4654-4668; four private bills, H. R. 4669-4672; and two resolutions, H. Res. 396 and H. J. Res. 270, were introduced. Page 11185

Order of Business: On motion of Mr. Halleck, the House dispensed with Calendar Wednesday business of Wednesday, December 10. Page 11146

Foreign Aid: Continued consideration of H. R. 4604, foreign interim-aid bill, and read the measure for amendments under the 5-minute rule.

Defeated an amendment by Mr. Edwin Arthur Hall which would authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to appoint 100 to 500 county agricultural agents to assist in reorganization of devastated areas of western Europe by teaching farmers how to increase crop production.

Adopted a committee amendment, offered by Mr. Vorys, to make the provisions of the bill which supply food, medical supplies, clothing, etc., to recipient countries retroactive to December 1, 1947.

Adopted by a vote of 132 yeas to 117 noes, an amendment offered by Mr. Case of South Dakota, which would prohibit the formation of any new agency to administer the program, and removed authority for the President to establish credit accounts of foreign currency in this country to be spent at his direction for relief.

Rejected by a vote of 145 yeas to 132 noes an amendment by Mr. Coudert to strike out the provision allowing incentive goods to be distributed in recipient countries.

Rejected by a vote of 136 yeas to 109 noes an amendment by Mr. Wheeler, which would have provided that no item, presently in short supply in the United States, could be purchased for relief shipment. Pages 11148-11184

Reports on Committee Meetings

FUR—FOOT-AND-MOUTH DISEASE

Committee on Agriculture: December 6, Subcommittee on Fur met and heard the following witnesses: J. E. Wells, Deputy Governor of Farm Credit Association; Representative Woodruff; Joseph H. Francis, of Salt Lake City, executive secretary of National Board of Fur Farm Organizations; Senator Ferguson; Roy D. Harmon, Christiansburg, Va.; Senator Thye; and Alexander McLeod, American Fur Merchants Association.

December 8, Subcommittee on Foot and Mouth Disease met in executive session and submitted to the full committee a report containing seven recommendations for continuing the fight to keep the foot-and-mouth disease, now present in Mexico, out of the United States. The report recommends holding the present quarantine line north of the infected area and then moving southward against it as rapidly as this can be done in a manner that is acceptable to the Mexican people and tolerable to their economy.

RETIREMENTS—RUBBER

Committee on Armed Services: Legal Subcommittee met in executive session on the question of retirement for disability.

Organization and Mobilization Subcommittee continued hearings on long-range rubber program and heard Wm. C. Foster, Under Secretary of Commerce; E. B. McCoy, Director, OMD, Department of Commerce; J. P. Brown, Solicitor, OMD, Department of Commerce; G. B. Hadlock, Executive Director, Office of Rubber Reserve, RFC; and W. N. Munster, Deputy Director, Office of Rubber Reserve, RFC. Hearing to be continued.

ANTI-INFLATION PROGRAM

Committee on Banking and Currency: Met on the anti-inflation program and heard Marriner S. Eccles, Chair-

man, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System. Mr. Eccles discussed a special reserve plan which provides authority for the Federal Reserve System to require larger reserves for member banks.

FOREIGN AID

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Met in executive session to consider proposed committee amendments to the interim foreign-aid bill.

FOREIGN SHIPMENTS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Full committee met in executive session to reconsider the committee's action of December 4 relative to H. Res. 380 and H. Res. 382, which involved only a technicality in reporting the resolutions. No further action was taken at this meeting.

CODIFICATION OF LAW

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 1 met in executive session to consider H. R. 4620, to codify and enact into positive law title 3 of the United States Code, entitled "The President."

TAX REVISION

Committee on Ways and Means: Continued hearings on general tax revision and heard William A. Sutherland,

chairman, section of taxation, American Bar Association, Washington, D. C.; and F. N. Bard, of the Barco Manufacturing Co., Chicago, Ill., both of whom presented general and miscellaneous recommendations for technical and administrative changes of the Internal Revenue Code; Allan H. W. Higgins, representing the American Bar Association, Boston, Mass., who discussed equalization of taxes in community-property and common-law States; and Paul Jackson, States Rights Association, Dallas, Tex., who discussed estate and gift taxes. Hearings to be continued.

REPORT ON JOINT COMMITTEE MEETINGS

NATURAL RESOURCES AND FARM INCOME

Joint Committee on the Economic Report: Western Subcommittee heard Michael Strauss, Chief of the Bureau of Reclamation, and William Warne, Assistant Secretary of Interior, discuss the relation of conservation and utilization of natural resources to the expansion of production. Carl H. Wilken, economic analyst, Raw Material National Council, reviewed the relationship of farm income to national prosperity. Full committee meets tomorrow on anti-inflation.

Tuesday, December 9, 1947

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate not in session.

House defeated amendments prohibiting shipments of fertilizer, farm machinery, and petroleum products as provided in foreign-relief bill.

Senate

Chamber Action

The Senate was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Wednesday, December 10, at 12 o'clock noon.

Reports on Committee Meetings

FOREIGN AID

Committee on Appropriations: Continuing its investigation of foreign-aid program, committee heard Dr. D. A. Fitzgerald, International Emergency Food Council; Norris E. Dodd, Acting Secretary of Agriculture; O. V. Wells, Bureau of Agricultural Economics; Dallas

Dort, Maurice Levy-Hawes, and Glenn H. Craig, all of Department of State; and Secretary of Army Kenneth Royall.

HUNGARIAN HORSES

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee, continuing its hearings on the question of returning horses to the Hungarian Government, received testimony from Col. Peter C. Hains III, speaking for the War Department. Hearings continue December 12.

POST OFFICE

Committee on Civil Service: Unanimously approved nomination of Jesse M. Donaldson, to be Postmaster

General, and Paul Aiken, as Assistant Postmaster General.

OIL SHORTAGE

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: The Oil and Coal Shortage Subcommittee opened a conference on "the impending shortage in fuels and oils for use during the coming winter," with testimony from the following: William R. Boyd, Jr., and Fred Van Covern, American Petroleum Institute; Walter S. Hallanan, National Petroleum Council; B. Brewster Jennings and A. J. McIntosh, Socony-Vacuum Oil Co.; M. J. Rathbone and Howard W. Page, Standard Oil of New Jersey; John L. Lewis, United Mine Workers; J. H. Aydelott, Association of American Railroads; John V. Lawrence, American Trucking Association; Rear Adm. William M. Gallagher, Assistant Chief of Naval Operations; William E. Warne, Under Secretary of Interior; William Foster, Under Secretary of Commerce; Admiral William W. Smith, Mr. Morris, Grenville Melten, and Mr. McGuire, Maritime Commission; Homer C. King and Arthur Gass, ODT; W. E. Gannon, Bureau

of Federal Supply; and Gov. Robert F. Bradford, of Massachusetts.

EXPORT CONTROL

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee, continuing hearings on S. 1807, to provide for temporary extension of the Export Control Act and title III of the Second War Powers Act (allocation controls including rail transportation), heard supporting testimony from the following Department of Commerce witnesses: Secretary of Commerce W. Averell Harriman; Under Secretary William C. Foster; Thomas Blaisdell, Office of International Trade; H. B. McCoy, Assistant Secretary; Adrian S. Fisher, Solicitor; and David Bruce, Assistant Secretary.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittees held routine hearings on the nominations of Sylvester J. Ryan, to be district attorney for southern district of New York, and Herbert W. Christenberry, to be judge for the eastern district of Louisiana, without opposition.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Thirteen public bills, H. R. 4673-4685; one private bill, H. R. 4686; and three resolutions, H. Res. 397, and H. J. Res. 271 and 272, were introduced.

Pages 11186, 11232

Committee Election: Adopted H. Res. 397, electing Representative Hébert to the Committee on Un-American Activities.

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Indian Relief: Passed H. R. 4627, authorizing appropriation for the relief of the Navajo and Hopi Indians.

Pages 11187-11188

Foreign Aid: Resumed consideration of amendments to H. R. 4604, foreign interim-aid bill. Rejected an amendment offered by Mr. Abernethy, which would prohibit the shipping of fertilizer to foreign countries, and further amended by Mr. H. Carl Andersen to include farm machinery and petroleum. By division vote the Andersen amendment was defeated by 107 ayes to 145 noes, and the Abernethy amendment by 107 ayes to 135 noes.

Rejected an amendment offered by Mr. Rivers making it a requisite that goods procured by this bill be carried by American-flag vessels if obtainable, or ships of the recipient countries.

Adopted an amendment offered by Mr. Case of South Dakota which provided that no funds appropriated by the measure shall be used by any procurement agency for the purchase within this country of any supplies, other than supplies procured by or in possession of the CCC, at prices higher than market price prevailing at the time of purchase in the area wherein the purchase is made. This amendment modified a previously proposed committee amendment dealing with Presidential regulations controlling the purchase of supplies under this act, designed to minimize the drain upon United States natural resources, and cushion the impact of such purchases on the domestic price level.

Rejected an amendment offered by Mr. Hand, to prohibit exports of gasoline and fuel oil unless the Secretary of Commerce certified such shipments would not impair national security or normal domestic needs.

Rejected an amendment offered by Mr. Gathings, to require reimbursement either in money, strategic materials, or military bases made available to the United States.

Three amendments, offered by Mr. Keating, to require recipient countries to release war prisoners before aid would be furnished to them, were ruled out of order as not being germane to the measure.

After 6 hours of deliberation on amendments, the House postponed further consideration of the foreign relief bill until its next meeting. Pages 11188-11231

Reports on Committee Meetings

FERTILIZER

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee on Fertilizer held hearings and heard former Representative Clifton Woodrum, American Food Council, Norfolk, Va., who introduced Ralph B. Douglas, vice president, Smith-Douglas Co.; Horace M. Albright, president, U. S. Potash Co., New York, N. Y.; Dr. D. S. Coltrane, Assistant Commissioner of Agriculture, Raleigh, N. C.; Harry B. Caldwell, master, North Carolina Grange; Carl Hicks, president, Flue-Cured Tobacco Cooperative Association; Dr. Ralph Cummings, North Carolina Extension Service; also Ronald Hocutt and Mr. Morgan, both of North Carolina.

RUBBER

Committee on Armed Services: Organization and Mobilization Subcommittee continued hearings on long-range rubber program and heard A. E. Freeze, Assistant Comptroller, RFC; G. B. Hadlock, Executive Director, Office of Rubber Reserve, RFC; and W. N. Munster, Manager, Production Control, Office of Rubber Reserve, RFC. Hearings to be continued.

ANTI-INFLATION PROGRAM

Committee on Banking and Currency: Continued hearings on the President's recommendations for anti-inflation, and heard J. M. Mehl, Administrator, Commodity Exchange Authority, who testified on the necessity for legislation to regulate speculative trading in commodity exchanges.

PUBLIC LIBRARY SERVICE

Committee on Education and Labor: Education Subcommittee held hearings on H. R. 2465, Public Library Service Demonstration Act, and heard Representative Jenkins; Walter Brahm, librarian, Ohio State Library; and Miss Sallie Farrell, field worker, Louisiana State Library. An 11-minute motion picture in technicolor was shown under the auspices of the State Public Library Service Division of Alabama. Hearings to be continued.

RFC AUDIT

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Procurement and Buildings Subcommittee continued hearings on the GAO audit of the Reconstruction

Finance Corporation and heard Melvin Zucker, Assistant Director of the Corporation Audits Division, General Accounting Office, who described the activities of the U. S. Commercial Co., a subsidiary of the RFC. Hearing to be continued.

FOREIGN AID

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Met in executive session to consider proposed amendments to the interim foreign-aid bill.

FUTURE PROGRAM

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Mines and Mining met in executive session for informal discussion of future program.

PUBLIC WORKS

Committee on Public Works: Met in executive session. Meeting to be continued.

TAX REVISION

Committee on Ways and Means: Continued hearings on general tax revision, and heard Charles S. Longacre, Seventh-Day Adventist General Conference, Takoma Park, Md.; and S. M. Cavert, Federal Counsel of Churches, New York, N. Y.; both of whom discussed tax-exempt provisions relating to religious organizations. Hearings to be continued.

REPORT ON JOINT COMMITTEE MEETINGS

ANTI-INFLATION

Joint Committee on the Economic Report: Edward E. Brown, chairman of the board of First National Bank, Chicago, and president of the Federal Advisory Council, assured the committee that the Council was unanimously opposed to the so-called Eccles plan (special reserve plan).

He told the committee that the special reserve plan, as outlined by Governor Eccles, proposed "that all commercial banks, whether or not members of the Federal Reserve System, may be required by the Federal Reserve Board to carry a special reserve up to 25 percent of their demand deposits, and 10 percent of their time or savings deposits in United States Government bills, certificates of indebtedness, or notes, or cash, cash items, inter-bank balances, or balances with Federal Reserve banks. This special reserve would be in addition to cash reserves now required of member banks, or to cash reserves now required of nonmember banks by State law. Within the 25 percent maximum against demand deposits and the 10 percent maximum against time deposits, the Federal Reserve Board could set from time to time the percentage of special reserve which all banks should carry." Hearings to be continued.

Wednesday, December 10, 1947

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate ordered foreign-aid bill to conference.

House continued consideration of amendments to foreign interim-aid bill.

Anti-inflationary measure introduced.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 11238-11240.

Bills Introduced: Ten bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 1848 to S. 1857; S. J. Res. 163.

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Bill Referred: House-passed bill H. R. 4627 was referred to the Committee on Public Lands. (For passage in House, see Digest, p. D471.)

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Foreign Aid: Senate adopted an order directing the Secretary to receive S. 1774, European interim-aid bill, when passed by the House. The amendments of the House will be disagreed to, a conference agreed to, and the following Senators appointed by the President pro tempore will serve as conferees: Vandenberg, Capper, White, Connally, and George.

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Routine Resolutions Passed: The following resolutions were passed: S. Res. 166, authorizing the payment of expenses in connection with the funeral of the late Senator Bilbo; S. Res. 173, authorizing gratuity to widow of former Senate employee; S. Res. 167, authorizing printing as Senate document, "European Recovery Program—Basic Documents and Background Information," prepared by the staffs of the Senate Foreign Relations and the House Foreign Affairs Committees; and S. Res. 172, authorizing the Committee on Labor and Public Works to expend an additional \$8,000.

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Nominations: The following nominations were received: Maj. Gen. Thomas E. Watson, as Commanding General, Fleet Marine Forces, Pacific; Vice Adm. John L. McCrea, Deputy Commander in Chief of Pacific Fleet; Rear Adm. Arthur C. Miles, Chief of Materials Division; Maj. Gen. Clifton B. Cates, Commandant of Marine Corps; and Arthur J. B. Cartier, marshal for Massachusetts.

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Recess: Senate recessed at 12:17 p. m. until noon Friday, December 12.

Reports on Committee Meetings

FOREIGN AID

Committee on Appropriations: Continuing its investigation of the foreign-aid program, committee heard the following witnesses: Secretary of Army Kenneth Royall; Under Secretary William H. Draper; General Noce; and Tracy Voorhees. Hearings to be continued.

CONSUMER CREDIT

Committee on Banking and Currency: By a vote of 9 to 4, the committee approved with amendment S. J. Res. 157, to provide for the regulation of consumer installment credit for a temporary period. As amended, the termination date would be set as of March 15, 1949, except in the case of emergency, and consumer credit controls would be limited to installment credit. A new section was added to give the Federal Reserve Board enforcement powers to carry out this credit control, similar to such powers now exercised by SEC in the enforcement of its functions (in connection with sections 21 and 27 of SEC Act).

EXPORT AND ALLOCATION CONTROLS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Judiciary, continuing its hearings on S. 1807, to provide for temporary extension of the Export Control Act and title III of the Second War Powers Act (allocation controls including rail transportation), heard further testimony by administrative officials in support of the Administration's substitute bill for S. 1807. The substitute proposal would broaden the scope and extend the time of allocations and controls as contrasted to the provisions embodied in S. 1807.

The witnesses testifying in support of export and allocation controls include the following Commerce Department officials: H. B. McCoy, Control of Materials Division; B. E. Vogelsang, Office of Materials Division; D. K. E. Bruce, Assistant Secretary; C. G. Davidson, Assistant Secretary of the Interior; Grenville Conway, Coordinator of Shipping for the President;

F. A. Silver and R. L. Glen, ODT; and Harvey Collison and R. E. Friedman, Department of the Interior.

SENATE EXPENDITURES AND PUBLICATION OF DOCUMENT

Committee on Rules and Administration: In executive session the committee approved the following resolutions which were later adopted by the Senate: S. Res. 166, to provide actual and necessary expenses incurred

by the appointed Senators attending the funeral of the late Senator Bilbo; S. Res. 167, to print as a Senate Document "European Recovery Program—Basic Documents and Background Information"; S. Res. 172, to provide an additional \$8,000 for the Committee on Labor and Public Welfare for its expenditures (pursuant to sec. 134A of Public Law 601); and S. Res. 173, to pay the regular gratuity to Mazie Knox Bettinghaus, widow of Harry W. Bettinghaus, late employee of the Senate.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Thirteen public bills, H. R. 4687-4699; three private bills, H. R. 4700-4702; and three resolutions, H. Res. 398 and 399, and H. J. Res. 273, were introduced.

Pages 11274-11275

Foreign Aid: Continued consideration of amendments to H. R. 4604, foreign interim-aid bill, spending 6 hours thereon.

Defeated three proposed changes in the recommended amount of \$590,000,000 to be authorized for foreign relief, as follows: Mr. Jonkman's amendment, to decrease the authorization to \$290,000,000; Mr. Merrow's amendment, to increase the authorization to \$661,000,000; and Mr. Smith of Wisconsin's amendment, to decrease the authorization to \$500,000,000.

Among the amendments adopted in committee were two designed to prevent any funds allocated in the measure from being spent for Communist-controlled countries. Mr. Rivers' proposal would require governments receiving United States aid to certify that no person formerly or presently identified with communism would distribute relief, and Mr. Fisher's proposal stipulated that the President would terminate aid to countries adhering to policies of the Soviet Government.

An amendment, offered by Mr. Redden, to create a joint committee of the two Houses for the purpose of observing and advising recipient countries as to the distribution of relief, was adopted.

Two amendments to strike out sections of the bill, one by Mr. Murray of Wisconsin to eliminate the establishment of a National Food Conservation Committee, and the other by Mr. Smith of Wisconsin to eliminate the provision directing the RFC to advance \$150,000,000 to carry out the act until appropriations are made, were rejected.

Two amendments were ruled out of order as not being germane to the bill, as follows: Mr. August H. Andresen's proposal that only one-third of the relief food could be sold and the remainder to be turned over to the Red Cross and other charitable organizations for free distribution to the needy, and Mr. Sadowski's proposal to permit relief packages not exceeding 44

pounds to be mailed by individuals, free of transportation costs.

Further consideration was deferred on the measure, after the defeat of an amendment by Mr. Rees to prevent funds for purchase of grain for recipient countries from being used in manufacture of distilled spirits.

Pages 11242-11272

Reports on Committee Meetings

FERTILIZER

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee on Fertilizer met and heard James F. Doestch, chairman, Chilean Nitrate Association; Fred T. Techter, Allied Chemical & Dye Corp., Hopewell, Va.; and Maurice H. Lockwood, president, National Fertilizer Association. Hearings to be continued.

RUBBER—SUPPLY DEPOTS

Committee on Armed Services: Organization and Mobilization Subcommittee continued hearings on rubber program and heard G. B. Hadlock, executive director, Office of Rubber Reserve, RFC; A. E. Freeze, Assistant Comptroller, RFC; and W. M. Munster, Manager, Production Control, Office of Rubber Reserve, RFC.

Procurement Subcommittee met in executive session to discuss hearings held on supply depots on the west coast during the recess of Congress.

FHA LOAN INSURANCE

Committee on Banking and Currency: Held hearings on bills to increase authorization for FHA insurance of loans, and heard Raymond M. Foley, Administrator, FHA, and F. D. Richards, Commissioner, FHA. Mr. Foley recommended that authorization under title VI of the National Housing Act be increased by \$750,000,000. Hearings to be continued.

PUBLIC LIBRARY SERVICE

Committee on Education and Labor: Education Subcommittee concluded hearings on H. R. 2465, Public Library Service Demonstration Act, and heard Rall I. Grigsby, appearing for J. W. Studebaker, United States Commissioner of Education; John C. Settelmayer, director, City Library, Lincoln, Nebr.; J. T. Sanders, legisla-

tive counsel, the National Grange; and Paul Howard, director, national relations office, American Library Association. Statements were submitted for the record by Mrs. Harvey Wiley, former chairman, department of legislation, General Federation of Women's Clubs; Russell Smith, National Farmers' Union; and Mrs. Stanley G. Cook, National Congress of Parents and Teachers.

FOREIGN AID

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Met in executive session to consider proposed amendments to the interim foreign-aid bill.

AIR MAIL

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Subcommittee on Air Mail held hearings and heard Robert W. Prescott, president, Flying Tiger Line, Inc., Burbank, Calif.; Bon Geaslin, vice president and general counsel, Waterman Steamship Corp., Washington, D. C.; Earl Slick, president, Slick Airways; W. E. Miller, general counsel for Slick Airways; and George Haney, vice president, California Eastern Airlines, New York, N. Y. In his opening statement, Chairman Rees pointed out that expenditures for handling air mail exceeded revenue in the sum of \$14,000,000 for the fiscal year 1947. Hearings to be continued.

INDIANS

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Indian Affairs met on S. 543, S. 949, H. R. 4593, and H. R. 4605, policing of Indian reservations, and heard Representatives Gwynne of Iowa and LeCompte; Walter Willett, county attorney, Toma County, Iowa; and Tobias E. Diamond, United States district attorney, northern district of Iowa, all of whom urged passage of the bills. Hearings to be continued.

PUBLIC WORKS

Committee on Public Works: Met in executive session.

VETERANS' INSURANCE

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Held hearings on the subject of "Insurance practices in the Veterans' Administration" and heard Omar W. Clark, Acting Administrator of Veterans' Affairs, Veterans' Administration; and Harold W. Breining, Assistant Administrator for Insurance, Veterans' Administration. Hearings to be continued.

TAX REVISION

Committee on Ways and Means: Continued hearings on general tax revision and heard Herbert F. Osteys, business manager, the American Baptist Publication Society, Philadelphia, Pa.; Leonard Calhoun, counsel, National Tax Equality Association, Chicago, Ill.; and John C. Beukema, secretary-manager, Muskegon Chamber of Commerce, Muskegon, Mich., all of whom discussed provisions relating to foundations and religious, educational, and other tax-exempt organizations. Hearings to be continued.

REPORT ON JOINT COMMITTEE MEETINGS

ANTI-INFLATION—FEDERAL RESERVE DEPOSIT REQUIREMENTS

Joint Committee on the Economic Report: Chairman of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System Eccles appeared before the committee to report on discussions between himself and Secretary Snyder in regard to the current proposal on special reserve requirements. He also completed his statement on the Federal Reserve proposal previously begun before the committee. Papers already submitted to the committee, including two proposed bills by the administration on special reserves and consumer credit, were released to the public.

Committee will meet in executive session on December 12 to discuss its further program on anti-inflation for the remainder of this session.

Thursday, December 11, 1947

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate not in session.

House passed foreign interim-aid bill.

Senate Expenditures Committee approved a tax report.

Measures on anti-inflation and housing ordered reported by House committee.

Senate

Chamber Action

The Senate was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Friday, December 12, at 12 o'clock noon.

Reports on Committee Meetings

LONG-RANGE FARMING

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Subcommittee on long-range farming program concluded hearings

after receiving testimony from representatives of the Association of Land Grant Colleges.

FOREIGN AID

Committee on Appropriations: Secretary Royall and other Army officials, and Representative Anderson of California testified on the foreign-aid program.

RFC INVESTIGATION

Committee on Banking and Currency: Subcommittee on RFC investigation heard testimony from John D. Goodloe, Chairman of RFC.

EXPENDITURE REPORT

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Committee voted to issue a report December 12 on the available funds for expenditure during the fiscal year 1948. This will include appropriations, carry-overs, and revolving funds.

Also approved was the statement of the joint conference between Members of Congress and governors held in Chicago in September on the subject of taxation. Committee recommended prompt attention to the following points raised at the conference: (1) That action be taken to correct "income tax inequities existing between the community-property and the non-community-property States"; (2) "that the Federal Government should relinquish to the States the Federal tax on employers levied to cover the administrative expenses of the State employment security programs, and the States will assume the responsibility for the administration of the unemployment compensation and employment service programs"; and (3) "that the Federal Government should reduce Federal excise taxes as soon as practicable," with special consideration given to taxes on "local telephone calls, intrastate electric energy, gasoline, and admissions taxes."

Robert Heller appeared before the committee in connection with a survey of the Legislative Reorganization Act.

Chairman Aiken announced that the committee would file reports tomorrow, December 12, on the opera-

tions of the Virgin Islands Company and the Indian Claims Commission.

He also announced that the committee staff would seek information on recent sugar purchases by the Army, and that the Secretary of National Defense and the Commodity Credit Corporation would be requested to furnish the information.

VA AND FSA NOMINATIONS

Committee on Finance: Unanimously approved, in executive session, nomination of Carl R. Gray, as Veterans' Administrator, and Oscar R. Ewing, as Federal Security Administrator.

FEDERAL JUDGE

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee heard James L. Dougherty, RFC; William H. Wolf, Internal Revenue; and Peyton Ford, Department of Justice, testify on the nomination of Herbert W. Christenberry, to be a judge for the eastern district of Louisiana.

NAVAJO INDIANS

Committee on Public Lands: In executive session, considered H. R. 4627, Navajo Indian bill, and scheduled another session on this subject for Saturday, December 13.

PIG-IRON SHORTAGE

Special Committee to Study Problems of American Small Business: Subcommittee considering the pig-iron shortages heard the following witnesses: Matthew Reid and George Delaney, International Molders and Foundry Workers Union; R. L. Collier, Grey Iron Foundries Society, Inc.; Hermann P. Good, foundry superintendent, Textile Machine Works; Deems W. Hallman, Hajoka Corp.; G. L. Harberger, Eastern Foundry Co.; Charles Hamilton and Walker Reynolds, Alabama Pipe Co.; Leroy E. Roark, National Foundries Association; F. M. Wilton, Susquehanna Casting Co.; and Don W. Harter, Toy Manufacturers of U. S. A. Hearings to be continued.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Eleven public bills, H. R. 4703-4713; six private bills, H. R. 4714-4719; and three resolutions, H. Res. 400 and 401, and H. J. Res. 274, were introduced.

Pages 11320-11321

Foreign Aid: The House passed, by voice vote, H. R. 4604, the bill authorizing an appropriation of \$590,000,000 for emergency winter relief to France, Italy, Austria, and China. Of this amount, \$530,000,000 is for recipient countries of western Europe, which is \$67,000,000 below the Senate European relief bill passed

on December 1, but an amount of \$60,000,000 was added by the Committee on Foreign Affairs designed to furnish help toward the stabilization of China's currency.

Two new floor amendments were adopted in the 6½-hour session leading to passage. The first was offered by Mr. Anderson of California, which would direct the CCC to make its surplus crops available for foreign relief, thereby reducing the amount of wheat and grain required, and requiring the Treasury to protect the CCC against loss on other perishable surpluses. The second was offered by Mr. August H. Andresen, and further amended by Mr. Hope, requiring that a carry-over of 150,000,000 bushels of wheat be kept in this country next year unless crop estimates next May indicate a winter production of more than 700,000,000 bushels. Sundry other floor amendments were rejected before the final vote, following which, a motion to recommit the measure to the Committee on Foreign Affairs was defeated. A motion was then adopted to amend the title of S. 1774, the Senate aid bill, strike out the Senate text and insert the House language.

This last-mentioned action prepared the way for an immediate conference with the Senate, which the House had requested. The Speaker appointed Representatives Eaton, Vorys, Mundt, Bloom, and Kee as conferees on the part of the House.

Pages 11276-11308

Bill and Conference Reports: Permission was secured to file reports on H. J. Res. 273, anti-inflation measure, and H. R. 4675, increasing appropriated amounts for new residential construction, by amending the National Housing Act. The rule fixing time for consideration of these measures, by the Committee on Rules, and the conference report on S. 1774, the foreign interim-aid bill, by the managers on the part of both Houses, may both be filed by midnight, Saturday, December 13.

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Adjournment: House adjourned at 4:34 p. m., until Monday, December 15, at 12 o'clock noon.

Reports on Committee Meetings

FERTILIZER

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee on Fertilizer continued hearings and heard Maurice H. Lockwood, president, National Fertilizer Association; Lt. Col. Albert S. Britt, War Department; William A. Minor, Jr., Department of Agriculture; W. T. Hart, Depart-

ment of Commerce; and A. H. Gass, Office of Defense Transportation. Hearings will be resumed December 16.

HOSPITALIZATION

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Hospitalization met in executive session.

ANTI-INFLATION—HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: Met in executive session and agreed to report out, with amendments, H. J. Res. 273, anti-inflation measure; and also H. R. 4675, amending National Housing Act, as amended, by increasing authorization for FHA insurance by \$250,000,000 for new residential construction. This is an addition by Congress of \$250,000,000 and also provides discretionary powers to the President to increase by another \$500,000,000 authorization to FHA for 90 per cent insurance of mortgages. H. J. Res. 273 was amended by striking out the paragraph authorizing the President to use price criteria in the licensing of exports and by limiting the provision with reference to additional gold-reserve requirements to November 1, 1949.

TAX REVISION

Committee on Ways and Means: Continued hearings on general tax revision and heard George F. Zook, president, American Council on Education, Washington, D. C.; Lloyd Morey, comptroller, University of Illinois, Urbana, Ill.; Edward Blythin, financial vice president and secretary, Western Reserve University, Cleveland, Ohio; Mr. Stewart, comptroller, Purdue University; Lawrence Lunden, comptroller, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, Minn.; and A. W. Peterson, comptroller, University of Wisconsin, all of whom testified in favor of the existing tax-exempt status of religious, charitable, and educational institutions. Joseph Lewis, president, Free Thinkers of America, New York City, testified in opposition to the present exemptions. Hearings to be continued.

REPORT ON JOINT COMMITTEE MEETINGS

AVIATION

Congressional Aviation Policy Board: The Board met to discuss and study current and future military and civil aircraft requirements of the United States.

Friday, December 12, 1947

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed housing insurance bill.
House not in session.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 11321-11327.

Bills Introduced: Eleven bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 1858 to S. 1868, and S. J. Res. 164. Pages 11325-11326

Bills Reported: Bills and resolutions were reported, as follows: H. R. 2029, to provide for free importation of synthetic rubber scrap (S. Rept. 773); H. R. 4055, increase pension rates for Indian war veterans and dependents thereof (S. Rept. 774); S. J. Res. 157, regulation of consumer installment credit for a temporary period (S. Rept. 775); H. R. 4627, Navajo Indian relief bill (S. Rept. 776); and the following reports by the Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Report on the Virgin Islands Co. (S. Rept. 777); report on Indian Claims Commission (S. Rept. 778); Pocket Budget Summary of Potential Federal Expenditures for 1948 (S. Rept. 779). Pages 11321-11325

Personnel: Agreed to conference on H. R. 4469, procurement of personnel for the Commission on Organization of the Executive Branch of the Government; and appointed the following Senators as conferees: Aiken, Ferguson, and McClellan. Page 11326

Wildlife: S. 1155, authorizing transfer of certain real property for wildlife purposes, was transferred from the Public Lands Committee to the Interstate Commerce Committee. Page 11326

Housing: Senate passed S. 1770, to amend the National Housing Act authorizing additional insurance for residential housing loans by FHA, after adopting the committee amendment and an amendment by Senator Taft for Senator Tobey which limits the authorization by 750 million dollars. Page 11327

Decontrol: On motion of Senator Wiley, the Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of S. 1842, to amend the Second Decontrol Act. Pages 11328-11330

Nominations: The following nominations were received: Gerald K. Nellis, marshal for the northern district of New York; together with 19 appointments in the Officers' Reserve Corps; 1 in the Honorary Reserve; 30 in the National Guard; and 2 in the Navy. Page 11341

Reports on Committee Meetings

GRAIN SPECULATIONS—LEND-LEASE SHIPMENTS

Committee on Appropriations: Continuing its investigation on appropriations for foreign-aid program, committee questioned Edwin Pauley, Special Assistant to the Secretary of War, on speculations in grain markets, and heard the following witnesses discuss lend-lease shipments to Russia and dismantling of German industrial plants for shipment into other countries: Willard Thorpe, Michael H. Cordozo, and Tyler Wood, State Department; Carl Wack, John Kirby, and Philip Nichols, Treasury Department; F. E. McIntyre and Nathan Ostroff, Commerce Department; Capt. D. J. Sinnott, Navy Department; Col. Carl F. Fischbein, Army; Robert Davis, WAA; and Huntington T. Morse, Maritime Commission.

HUNGARIAN HORSES

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee, continuing its hearings on the question of returning horses to the Hungarian Government, received further testimony from Col. Peter C. Hains III, speaking for the War Department.

RFC—SMALL BUSINESS

Committee on Banking and Currency: Subcommittee on RFC received testimony from Secretary of the Treasury Snyder and Chairman of the Federal Reserve Board Eccles in relation to S. 408, to authorize Federal Reserve banks to guarantee financial institutions against loss on loans made to a business enterprise if maturity date is not more than 10 years, which the committee reported to the Senate on April 28, 1947, and is now studying as to the effects its passage would have on the RFC.

PIG IRON

Special Committee to Study Problems of American Small Business: Steel Subcommittee continued its investigation into complaints of pig-iron shortages with the following witnesses giving testimony: Samuel Dunkel, managing director, Institute of Cooking and Heating Appliance Manufacturers, Washington, D. C.; Douglas J. Strong, president, Foundries Materials Co., Coldwater, Mich.; Daniel L. Deen, Caloric Stove Corp.; and Edwin C. Barringer, L. D. Green, and John F. Lane, representing the Steel, Foundry, and Scrap Industries Committee for Expediting Iron and Steel Scrap.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Monday, December 15, at 12 o'clock noon.

Reports on Committee Meetings

FUR

Committee on Agriculture: Full committee held hearings on the fur situation and heard J. E. Wells, director, Regional Agricultural Credit Corporation, United States Department of Agriculture; and Joseph H. Francis, executive secretary, National Board of Fur Farm Organizations, Morgan, Utah. Following testimony by the above, the committee went into executive session and it was decided that the chairman would introduce a clean bill as amended and that that bill would be reported favorably by the committee.

RUBBER

Committee on Armed Services: Organization and Mobilization Subcommittee continued hearings on long-range rubber program and heard Representative Curtis; Winthrop Brown, Chief, Division of Commercial Policy, State Department; Arthur M. Hill, Chairman, National Security Resources Board; Arthur Wolfe, National Security Resources Board; John D. Goodloe, Chairman, RFC; Leonard J. Ralston, Chief Counsel, Office of Rubber Reserve, RFC; and G. B. Hadlock, Executive Director, Office of Rubber Reserve, RFC.

MUSICIANS

Committee on Education and Labor: Subcommittee in executive session reported to full committee on their investigation of J. C. Petrillo, American Federation of Musicians. Full committee accepted report of subcommittee and agreed to report same to the House on December 15.

WAR HOUSING—AIRCRAFT

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Surplus Property Subcommittee met on the disposal of war housing under the provisions of the Lanham Act, and Housing and Home Finance Agency, public relation No. 1, and particularly in connection with the disposal of the East Mountain Terrace project in Plainville, Conn., and heard Representatives Miller, Footé, Sadlak, and Lodge; Raymond M. Foley, Administrator, Housing and Home Finance Agency; Ronald W. Hyatt, Albert Santucci, Frank Stewart, George R. Buys, Evelyn M. Richards, and Margaret Meredith, all of Plainville, Conn.

Surplus Property Subcommittee also held hearings on leasing of aircraft by WAA and the accounting

methods used by that agency on aircraft components, inventory, and sales, and heard Jess Larson, Acting Administrator, WAA; Thomas A. Wadden, J. W. Thomas, Frederick C. Gray, A. D. Burr, John H. Carey, James A. Mollison, and Herschal B. Benedict, also all of WAA.

FUEL SITUATION

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Held hearings on investigation and study of the fuel situation, and heard M. W. Ball, Director, Oil and Gas Division, Department of the Interior; Walter S. Hallanan, Chairman, National Petroleum Council, Washington, D. C.; and William E. Gannon, purchasing agent, Bureau of Federal Supply. Hearings will be continued December 16.

PRIVATE BILLS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Immigration and Naturalization met in executive session and agreed to report favorably to the full committee three private bills. Also, the Commissioner of Immigration and Naturalization, Hon. Watson B. Miller, was present by invitation to meet the members of this subcommittee.

AIR MAIL

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Subcommittee on Air Mail continued hearings and heard J. M. Donaldson, Postmaster General; Paul Aiken, Second Assistant Postmaster General; and James M. Landis, Chairman, Civil Aeronautics Board. Hearings will be continued December 15.

INDIANS

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Indian Affairs met on H. R. 4596, concerning policing of Indian reservations; S. 1507, sale of land in Polson, Mont.; and H. R. 4394, granting rights-of-way across Indian lands, and heard testimony from Representative Case of South Dakota, who urged the passage of H. R. 4596; and William Zimmerman, Assistant Commissioner, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior, who spoke in favor of H. R. 4394. Subcommittee in executive session agreed to favorably report to the full committee S. 1507 and H. R. 4394.

TAX REVISION

Committee on Ways and Means: Continued hearings on general tax revision and heard Graham L. Davis, president, American Hospital Association, Washington, D. C.; Rev. John G. Martin, past president, American Protestant Hospital Association, Washington, D. C.; Monsignor M. F. Griffin, Catholic Hospital Association, St. Louis, Mo.; John Gardes, attorney, New York University; and F. Emerson Andrews, Russell Sage Founda-

tion, New York, N. Y., all of whom testified generally in favor of continuance of present tax-exempt provisions. The committee also heard Julius Flescher, of Ferma, Inc., New York, N. Y., who recommended an amendment to section 3442 of the Internal Revenue Code. The committee adjourned subject to the call of the Chair.

REPORT ON JOINT COMMITTEE MEETINGS

AVIATION

Congressional Aviation Policy Board: The four Subcommittees on Manufacturing, Transportation, Combat, and Government Organization met separately in executive session on their respective subjects as well as later in full committee to present reports on their problems.

Senator Brewster, Chairman of the Board, in a press conference after the meetings, announced that the Board, "sitting with its Advisory Council, has been conduct-

ing hearings in executive sessions, since September 15, 1947, in an intensive study of the military, naval, and commercial aviation requirements of the United States. In addition to the witnesses heard, the President's Air Policy Commission has made available to the Congressional Board the testimony of those appearing before it. The Congressional Board's report is not due until March 1, 1948."

He added that "it becomes more and more apparent that in order to remain superior in the air, which is the route through which we are most likely to be attacked, one of the recommendations of the Congressional Aviation Policy Board will call for greatly increased expenditures which will far exceed the current aviation budget." Subcommittees have been appointed and staffs set up.

FOREIGN AID

Conferees on S. 1774, foreign-aid bill, held two sessions in an effort to reach agreement over the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of the bill; will meet again tomorrow, December 13.

Monday, December 15, 1947

HIGHLIGHTS

House rejected anti-inflation bill under suspension of rules.

Both Houses agreed to conference report on foreign aid bill, clearing it for President.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 11342-11344.

Bills Introduced: Twelve bills and four resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1869 to S. 1880; S. J. Res. 165 to 167; and S. Res. 174.

Pages 11342-11343, 11354, 11360

Foreign Aid: The Senate, by voice vote, agreed to the conference report (H. Rept. 1161) on S. 1774, Foreign Aid Act of 1947. As agreed upon December 13 by the conferees, the Act authorizes 597 million dollars for interim aid to the peoples of Austria, China, France, and Italy; permits congressional committees and representatives of the press and radio to observe and report on the program; requires commodities furnished to be labeled as having been furnished by the United States; provides a wheat carry-over of not less than 150 million bushels; directs RFC to make advances up to 150 million dollars until such time as an appropriation is made; and requires certain reports.

Pages 11344-11354

Indians: Passed H. R. 4627, authorizing 2 million dollars for relief for needy Navajo and Hopi Indians.

Pages 11356-11358

Death of Senator: Senate adopted S. Res. 174, expressing condolence on the death of former Senator Arthur Walsh.

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Agriculture: On motion of Senator Robertson of Wyoming ordered that the majority members of the Committee on Agriculture and Forestry shall be Senators Capper, Aiken, Bushfield, Wilson, Young, Thye, and Kern.

Page 11344

Housing Insurance: Agreed to conference on S. 1770, to amend the National Housing Act by authorizing additional insurance for residential housing loans by FHA, and appointed the following Senators as conferees: Tobey, Buck, Capehart, Maybank, and Taylor.

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Postwar Foreign Assistance: Report on United States Postwar Foreign Assistance was filed by Joint Committee on Reduction of Nonessential Federal Expenditures (S. Doc. 112).

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Decontrol: Referred S. 1842, to amend Second Decontrol Act, to Committee on Banking and Currency.

Pages 11343-11344

Food Prices: Report prepared by staff of the Joint Committee on the Economic Report on Food Prices, Production, and Consumption was ordered printed as Senate document.

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Confirmations: The following appointments were confirmed:

Jesse M. Donaldson, Postmaster General;
Paul Aiken, Second Assistant Postmaster General;
Carl R. Gray, Veterans' Administrator;
Also 201 appointments in the Public Health Service.

Pages 11383-11384

Nominations: The following nominations were received:

Tighe E. Woods, Housing Expediter;
Peyton Ford, to be the Assistant to the Attorney General;
Lt. Gen. Joseph L. Collins, Deputy Chief of Staff;
Maj. Gen. Willard S. Paul, Director of Personnel and Administration;
Maj. Gen. Stephen J. Chamberlin, Director of Intelligence;

Maj. Gen. Mantion S. Eddy, Director, Army Educational System, and Commandant, Command and General Staff College;

Also 516 officer appointments in the Army and 67 in the Navy.

Pages 11375-11383

Reports on Committee Meetings

HUNGARIAN HORSES

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee continued hearings on the question of returning horses to the Hungarian Government, receiving further testimony from Col. Peter C. Hains III, speaking for the War Department.

Chairman of the subcommittee, Senator Morse, announced that James A. Todd, State Department, has been requested to testify again on December 18, and to furnish a memorandum regarding the policies applied by the State Department in the satisfaction of restitution claims. Full committee meets tomorrow, December 16, on nominations.

NOMINATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee unanimously agreed to report favorably to the full committee the nomination of Watson B. Miller, as Commissioner of Immigration and Naturalization.

OIL—SMALL BUSINESS

Special Committee to Study Problems of American Small Business: Oil Subcommittee met in executive session with Senator Ives acting as chairman; no announcement was made of action taken.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Twenty-six public bills, H. R. 4720-4745; two private bills, H. R. 4746 and 4747; and four resolutions, H. Res. 402 and 403, H. J. Res. 275, and H. Con. Res. 122, were introduced.

Pages 11429-11430

Bills Reported: Bills and resolutions were reported as follows:

H. R. 4675, amending the National Housing Act (H. Rept. 1159);
H. J. Res. 273, anti-inflation bill (H. Rept. 1160);
Conference report on S. 1774, foreign interim-aid bill (H. Rept. 1161);

Interim report from Committee on Education and Labor entitled "Investigation of James C. Petrillo and the American Federation of Musicians" (H. Rept. 1162);

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Conference report on H. R. 4469, procurement of personnel for the Commission on Organization of the Executive Branch of the Government (H. Rept. 1163); and

H. R. 4651, authorizing reinstatement of lapsed national service life insurance (H. Rept. 1164).

Pages 11405-11409, 11414, 11429

FSA—Reclamation: Messages from President received recommending supplemental estimates of \$1,340,000 for FSA in fiscal year 1948 (H. Doc. 476), and \$29,375,000 for Bureau of Reclamation, Department of Interior, in fiscal year 1948 (H. Doc. 477). Both messages were referred to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered printed.

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Order of Business: On motion of Mr. Halleck, the House dispensed with Calendar Wednesday business of Wednesday, December 17.

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Anti-Inflation Program: Defeated, by a vote of 202 yeas to 188 nays, a motion to suspend the rules and consider H. J. Res. 273, stabilization and anti-inflation measure, which had been reported favorably by the Committee on Banking and Currency. A two-thirds vote in the affirmative was necessary in order to suspend.

Pages 11387-11398

Housing: Passed, under suspension of the rules, S. 1770, to amend National Housing Act by authorizing \$750,000,000 additional insurance for residential housing loans by FHA, with a committee amendment, which would make \$250,000,000 immediately available to FHA, and \$500,000,000 available only with approval of the President. H. R. 4675, a companion bill, was ordered to lie on the table.

Pages 11398-11405

Foreign Aid: Adopted the conference report (H. Rept. 1161) on S. 1774, foreign interim-aid bill, by a vote of 313 yeas to 82 nays.

Pages 11405-11413

Indians: Agreed to Senate amendments to H. R. 4627, authorizing appropriations for relief to Navajo and Hopi Indians, thus clearing the bill for Presidential signature.

Page 11413

Personnel: Adopted conference report on H. R. 4469 (H. Rept. 1163), procurement of personnel for the Commission on Organization of the Executive Branch of the Government.

Page 11414

Veterans' Insurance: Passed H. R. 4651, authorizing the reinstatement of lapsed 5-year level premium-term national life insurance on a comparative health basis until December 31, 1948.

Pages 11412-11414

Committee Appointment: The Speaker appointed Mr. Lichtenwalter to fill present vacancy on the Select Committee on Small Business.

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Reports on Committee Meetings

FOREIGN AGRICULTURAL LABOR

Committee on Agriculture: Met on foreign agricultural labor and heard John McGovern, chairman, National Farm Labor Association, and National Farm Labor Conference, LeSueur, Minn.; C. B. Maddox, Labor Commissioner, Great Western Sugar Co., Denver, Colo.; Clarence J. Bourg, Farmers and Manufacturers Beet Sugar Association, Saginaw, Mich.; Richard P. White, secretary, American Association of Nurserymen, Washington, D. C.; and Representative Phillips of California. Hearings will continue on December 17.

FOREIGN AFFAIRS

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Met in executive session. Meeting will be continued.

AIR MAIL

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Subcommittee on Air Mail held hearings and heard Robert Ramspeck, executive vice president of Air Transport Association, representing scheduled air-lines; Robert Klein, attorney, representing Sea-Air Committee; and Roland Rice, assistant general counsel, Association of American Railroads. Mr. Ramspeck urged retention of present system of the Civil Aeronautics Board establishing rates to be paid by the Post Office for carrying air mail. Association of American Railroads and the Sea-Air Committee, while not objecting to the Civil Aeronautics Board setting rates, pointed out that the subsidies should be separated from payments covering air mail.

VETERANS' INSURANCE

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Held hearings on "Insurance conditions in the Veterans' Administration" and heard Harold W. Breining, Assistant Administrator for Insurance, Veterans' Administration. Later in executive session the committee ordered favorably reported H. R. 4651, to authorize the reinstatement of lapsed 5-year level-premium-term national service life insurance on a comparative health basis until December 31, 1948. Hearings will be continued.

REPORT ON JOINT COMMITTEE MEETINGS

ATOMIC ENERGY

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: In executive session general business of the committee was considered.

ANTI-INFLATION REPORT

Joint Committee on the Economic Report: After an executive session, Chairman Taft announced that the committee had approved in principle five of the points embodied in the President's anti-inflation program. The committee will meet again in executive session on Wednesday to issue a detailed report on these points.

Final decision on other points proposed by the President will be delayed for further study. Western Subcommittee meets tomorrow on city workers' family budget.

PAPER BIDS

Joint Committee on Printing: Committee met to open bids for the quarterly term beginning January 1 for paper, and the 6-month term beginning January 1 for envelopes. Committee meets again December 19 to make awards to the successful bidders.

Tuesday, December 16, 1947

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate confirmed nominations and adopted conference report on personnel for Executive Branch Commission.

House debated 3d supplemental appropriations bill providing foreign-aid funds.

Senate Banking Committee reported anti-inflation measure.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 11430-11437.

Bills Introduced: Eight bills and three resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1881 to S. 1888; S. J. Res. 168; and S. Res. 175 and 176.

Pages 11431-11432

Resolution Reported: A resolution was reported as follows: S. J. Res. 167, to aid in the stabilization of commodity prices and to stabilize the United States economy (S. Rept. 780).

Pages 11456-11457

Bills Referred: House-passed bill H. R. 4651 was referred to the Committee on Finance. (For passage in House, see Digest, p. D482.)

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Confirmations: The following nominations were confirmed:

David A. Morse, Under Secretary of Labor;
John T. Kmetz, Assistant Secretary of Labor;
Raymond M. Foley, Housing and Home Finance Administrator;
Franklin D. Richards, Federal Housing Commissioner;
Abe Murdock, NLRB member;
J. Copeland Gray, NLRB member;
Robert N. Denham, NLRB General Counsel;
Cyrus S. Ching, Federal Mediation and Conciliation Director;
Oscar R. Ewing, Federal Security Administrator;
Col. Joseph S. Gorlinski, California Debris Commission;

Also a group of officers in the Army, Navy, and Marine Corps.

Pages 11459-11460

Personnel: Conference Report (H. Rept. 1163) on H. R. 4469, procurement of personnel for the Commission on Organization of the Executive Branch of the Government, was adopted 51 yeas to 26 nays.

Pages 11450-11456

Reports on Committee Meetings

LONG-RANGE FARMING

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Committee met again in executive session on long-range farming program, but made no announcement of action taken.

TVA FUNDS

Committee on Appropriations: Government Corporations Subcommittee heard testimony from TVA Chairman Gordon Clapp on expenditures by the agency.

MILITARY NOMINATIONS

Committee on Armed Services: In executive session approved for reporting favorably to the Senate all pending nominations below the star rank; unanimously agreed to hold over for action all pending nominations of generals or admirals until the next session of Congress. The nominations below star rank approved today total approximately 1,100.

ANTI-INFLATION

Committee on Banking and Currency: In executive session the committee reported, with amendments, S. J. Res. 167, to aid in the stabilization of commodity prices and to stabilize the United States economy. As reported the resolution was amended to continue title 3 of the Second War Powers Act of 1942 as amended, until and including January 31, 1948, for the exercise of the powers, authority, and discretion conferred on the President under that title, with respect to the allocation of grain for distilled spirits for beverage purposes; to delete provision (page 2, lines 10-12) for the marketing of livestock and poultry at weights and grades that represent the most efficient utilization of grains; and add to section 3 of the bill price criteria in the licensing of exports.

OVERSEAS PARCELS

Committee on Civil Service: In executive session, the committee approved for reporting to the Senate S. 1813, to reduce parcel-post rates on packages shipped abroad for relief purposes.

DIPLOMATIC NOMINATIONS

Committee on Foreign Relations: In executive session the following nominations were approved:

Herbert S. Bursley, to be Ambassador to Honduras.

Avra Warren, as Minister to Finland.

Robert M. Scotten, as Minister to New Zealand.

Lt. Gen. Matthew B. Ridgway, to be Senior United States Army member of Military Staff Committee of UN.

And other routine nominations.

Committee also considered H. R. 3342, United States Information and Educational Exchange Act, and will meet again on December 18 on this subject.

DISPLACED PERSONS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Immigration and Naturalization met in executive session on displaced persons. Will continue tomorrow, December 17.

BUREAU OF MINES

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Mines and Mining, in executive session, decided to take no action during this session on the nomination of James Boyd, to be director of the Bureau of Mines.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Fourteen public bills, H. R. 4748-4761; four private bills, H. R. 4762-4765; and five resolutions, H. Res. 404-406, H. J. 276, and H. Con. Res. 123, were introduced. Pages 11491-11492

Bills Reported: Bills were reported as follows:

Private claims bills, S. 99, 258, 339, 957, 1039, 1043, and 1100; H. R. 350, 927, 1169, 1286, 1516, 1653, 1747, 2009, 2269, 2386, 2479, 2489, 2697, 2729, 3067, 3159, 3300, 3550, and 3937 (H. Repts. 1165-1190, inclusive);

H. R. 4748, third supplemental appropriation bill, including foreign aid (H. Rept. 1191);

Private claims bills S. 84, 136, 166, 167, 185, 186, 187, 189, 190, 191, 192, 298 and 1579; H. R. 358, 421, 892, 896, 1572, 1859, 1927, and 3039 (H. Repts. 1192-1212, inclusive); and

Conference report on S. 1770, amendments to National Housing Act (H. Rept. 1213). Pages 11465, 11484, 11489-11490

Housing: Senate disagreed to House amendment to S. 1770, amending National Housing Act by authorizing \$750,000,000 additional insurance for residential housing loans by FHA, and agreed to conference asked. Representatives Wolcott, Gamble, Smith of Ohio, Kunkel, Spence, Brown of Georgia, and Patman were appointed conferees on the part of the House. Page 11465

Appropriations, Foreign Aid: Debated H. R. 4748, third supplemental appropriation bill for 1948, providing \$509,000,000 aid to France, Italy, and Austria. This is \$88,000,000 lower than the recommended Budget re-

quest. No funds were furnished for China relief pending recommendation by State Department.

The amount of \$230,000,000 for government functions and relief in occupied areas is \$260,000,000 below the recommendation of the Budget.

Other funds to supplement FSA, Indian Affairs, and Bureau of Reclamation bring the total amount, as recommended by the Committee on Appropriations, to \$772,504,000, which is \$345,661,000 less than the Budget Bureau estimates.

All time for general debate was consumed and the first section of the bill was read for amendment. Pages 11465-11484

Reports on Committee Meetings

FERTILIZER

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee on Fertilizer resumed hearings and heard C. Tyler Wood, State Department; W. C. Schroeder, Chief of Synthetic Liquid Fuels, Bureau of Mines; E. Darr, Chief of Traffic, United States Maritime Commission; Mr. Miller, Association of American Railroads; and W. T. Hart, Department of Commerce.

GERMAN DISMANTLING

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Met in executive session on H. Res. 365, providing for an inquiry on dismantling and removal of plants from Germany. Meeting to be continued.

FUEL SITUATION

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Continued hearings on investigation of threatened shortage

of petroleum and other fuels and heard Representative Bryson; Raymond S. McKeough, Commissioner, United States Maritime Commission; and Charles H. McGuire, Assistant Chief, Traffic Division, Maritime Commission. Hearings will be continued.

PRIVATE BILLS

Committee on the Judiciary: Met in executive session and ordered 29 private immigration and naturalization bills favorably reported to the House. Four private immigration bills were tabled. Thirty-one private claims bills were also ordered favorably reported.

POSTAL RATES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: St. George subcommittee met on postal rate-making procedure and heard Postmaster General Jesse M. Donaldson; Hardy MacLay, assistant general counsel of finance, CAB; and Howard Hosmer, examiner, ICC, all of whom discussed rate-making procedure. Representative Murray of Tennessee, a member of the subcommittee, revealed that the subcommittee had under consideration the tentative draft of a bill which would set up, under the Post Office Department, a separate board to set postal rates. Such rates as the board determined on would be reported to the Congress on January 3 of each year and would go into effect unless otherwise modified or disapproved by the Congress within 60 days. The draft as prepared at the direction of the subcommittee chairman:

1. Sets up board which would go into details and resolve issues as to validity of post office cost data.

2. Would keep Congress in direct command and control of whatever changes might result in postal rates.

VETERANS' INSURANCE

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Continued hearings on "Administration of Insurance Section of Veterans' Administration" and heard Harold W. Breining, Assistant Administrator for Insurance, Veterans' Administration; and O. W. Clark, Acting Administrator of Veterans' Affairs, Veterans' Administration. Hearings to be continued.

SMALL BUSINESS

Select Committee on Small Business: Met in executive session to discuss the annual report to Congress on the activities of the committee. In executive session the committee's annual report was unanimously adopted by the entire membership of the committee.

REPORT ON JOINT COMMITTEE MEETINGS

FAMILY BUDGET

Joint Committee on the Economic Report: Western Subcommittee heard Bureau of Labor Statistics Commissioner Ewan Clague discuss the progress on and contents of the City Workers' Family Budget, which is now in preparation by the Bureau of Labor Statistics.

The full committee meets tomorrow, December 17, to consider the statement on the five resolutions adopted by the committee on December 15.

Wednesday, December 17, 1947

HIGHLIGHTS

Both Houses adopted conference report on housing insurance.

Senate debated anti-inflation program and passed consumer-credit bill.

House passed third supplemental appropriation bill providing foreign-aid funds.

Resolution creating committee to investigate commodity transactions reported by House committee.

Joint committee adopted anti-inflation recommendations.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 11492-11494.

Bills Introduced: Eleven bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 1889 to S. 1899; and S. J. Res. 169. Pages 11493-11494

Bills Reported: Bills were reported as follows: Twenty-four private claims bills as follows: S. 1411, H. R. 389, 645, 769, 1155, 1175, 1319, 1531, 1645, 1933, 2056, 2348, 2891, 3068, 3754, S. 922, 1267, 1347, 1716, H. R. 2192, 3111, S. 944, 1031, and H. R. 1799 (S. Repts. 781 to 804, inclusive.) Page 11493

Hemisphere Defense: Ordered printed as Senate document (S. Doc. 114) "Survey of Efforts to Consummate the Ideal of Hemispheric Defense." Page 11493

Consumer Credit: Senate passed by voice vote S. J. Res. 157, authorizing continuance of control by the Federal Reserve Board of Governors over installment credit until March 15, 1949, after adopting committee amendments. Pages 11504-11512

Anti-Inflation Program: Senate debated S. J. Res. 167, anti-inflation program, and adopted committee amendments providing for use of price criteria in licensing of exports, and reviving the authority until January 31, 1948, for the control of grain used in production of distilled spirits. An amendment by Senator Barkley to include neutral spirits was adopted by voice vote.

An amendment by Senator Barkley to permit the President to "issue regulations and orders" under voluntary agreements made to stabilize economic conditions is pending business. Pages 11494-11504, 11513-11525

Housing Insurance: Senate adopted conference report (H. Rept. 1213) on S. 1770, authorizing \$750,000,000 additional for FHA residential insurance; \$250,000,000 of this amount is to be made available now and \$500,000,000 later at the discretion of the President. Page 11512

Nomination: The following nomination was received: Maj. Gen. Leslie R. Grove, as Army member of Military Liaison Committee to Atomic Energy Commission and Chief of the Armed Forces Special Weapons Project, with rank of lieutenant general. Page 11527

Confirmations: The following nominations were confirmed:

Herbert S. Bursley, Ambassador to Honduras;
Avra M. Warren, Minister to Finland;
Robert M. Scotten, Minister to New Zealand;
Lt. Gen. Matthew B. Ridgway, senior Army member of the Military Staff Committee of UN;

Also 45 appointments in the Foreign and Diplomatic Service. Page 11527

Reports on Committee Meetings

FUR FARMERS

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: In open hearings on S. J. Res. 164, authorizing the Regional Agricultural Credit Corporation to make loans to fur farmers, Senator Ferguson and Joseph H. Francis, National Board of Fur Farm Organizations, Morgan, Utah, testified in favor of the legislation; James E. Wells, Jr., Deputy Governor of the Farm Credit Administration, explained administrative details involved; and Stephen Brooks, North American Fur Auction Sales Association, New York, briefly discussed the measure.

GRAIN TRADING

Committee on Appropriations: Committee voted 10 to 8 to issue a subpoena duces tecum to Secretary of Agriculture Anderson requiring him to appear before the committee at 9:30 a. m., December 18, and to furnish records relating to trading on the commodity exchanges.

RECLAMATION ITEMS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on H. R. 4748, third supplemental appropriation bill for 1948, providing foreign-aid funds, heard testimony from Reclamation Commissioner Michael W. Straus and Kenneth Markwell, Assistant Commissioner, on reclamation items.

FOREIGN AID

Committee on Appropriations: Continuing hearings on foreign aid, committee heard the following witnesses: Senators Barkley, Cooper, and Umstead, Representative Judd; Willard Thorpe, Assistant Secretary of State; W. W. Butterworth, Office of Far Eastern Affairs; Philip B. Sprouse, Division of Chinese Affairs; former Ambassador William C. Bullitt, Lt. Gen. A. C. Wedemeyer, and Alfred A. Kohlberg, American-China Policy Association.

WAR CLAIMS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on S. 1605, war-damage claims of neutral countries, agreed to report the bill favorably to the full committee.

NOMINATIONS AND PRIVATE CLAIMS BILLS

Committee on the Judiciary: In executive session the committee reported favorably the following nominations: Peyton Ford, of Oklahoma, to be the Assistant Attorney General; Lawrence C. Kingsland, of Missouri, to be Commissioner of Patents; Joe E. Daniels, of New Jersey, to be Assistant Commissioner of Patents; Watson B. Miller, of Maryland, to be Commissioner of Immigration and Naturalization; Thomas P. Thornton, to be United States attorney for the eastern district of Michigan; Sylvester J. Ryan, to be United States district judge for the southern district of New York; George R. Humrickhouse, to be United States attorney for the eastern district of Virginia; Charles M. Eldridge, to be United

States marshal for Rhode Island; and Harry E. Pratt, to be United States district judge for division 4 of Alaska.

The committee approved 24 private bills (S. 922, 944, 1031, 1267, 1347, 1411, and 1716; H. R. 389, 1531, 1799, 645, 769, 1175, 2056, 1319, 1933, 2348, 3068, 1155, 1645, 2891, 3111, 3754, and 2192).

DISPLACED PERSONS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Immigration and Naturalization met in executive session to consider further the problem of displaced persons. Tomorrow, December 18, the subcommittee will hold hearings in executive session.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Twenty-one public bills, H. R. 4766-4786; two private bills, H. R. 4787 and 4788; and nine resolutions, H. Res. 407, H. J. Res. 277-283, and H. Con. Res. 124, were introduced. Pages 11571-11572

Bills Reported: Bills and resolutions were reported as follows:

Private claims bills, H. R. 1009, 3224, 3742, 3849, and 4403 (H. Repts. 1214-1218, inclusive);

H. Res. 404, to create a select committee to investigate transactions on commodity exchanges (H. Rept. 1219);

Supplemental report from Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments, entitled "Investigation of Effectiveness of Anti-Racketeering Laws and Administration Thereof" (H. Rept. 1220); and

H. Res. 403, authorizing Committee on Public Lands to make a study of black markets (H. Rept. 1221). Page 11571

Housing: Adopted conference report (H. Rept. 1213) on the bill S. 1770, amending the National Housing Act, authorizing \$750,000,000 additional insurance for residential housing loans by FHA. The measure now makes \$250,000,000 immediately available, with discretionary authority in the President to increase the amount by not to exceed \$500,000,000. Pages 11536-11537

Appropriations, Foreign Aid: Passed, by voice vote, H. R. 4748, third supplemental appropriation bill for 1948. This measure supplies the funds authorized by the foreign interim-aid bill which was passed last week, but is \$88,000,000 less than the \$597,000,000 recommended by the aid bill. All amendments to make changes in sections of the bill were rejected by the House except two. These were for an increase from \$200,000 to \$500,000 for relief to Indians, to be handled by the Bureau of Indian Affairs, and the furnishing of \$176,000 for an Indian hospital in Seward, Alaska.

An amendment offered by Mr. Javits to restore \$20,000,000 for French relief and \$6,000,000 for Italian relief, which were cut by the Committee on Appropriations, was defeated, as was an amendment offered by Mr. Rankin to grant \$200,000,000 for REA.

A subsequent motion, also offered by Mr. Rankin, to recommit the bill to the committee, instructing it to add a new section to the bill granting \$150,000,000 for REA, was rejected.

The measure, as passed and sent to the Senate, now contains appropriations for foreign aid, civil functions of government in occupied areas, FSA, Indian Affairs, and Bureau of Reclamation. The total amount supplied is \$773,202,000, which is \$344,963,000 less than the Budget Bureau estimates. Pages 11536-11567

Reports on Committee Meetings

FOREIGN AGRICULTURAL LABOR

Committee on Agriculture: Held hearings on foreign agricultural labor and heard Watson B. Miller, Commissioner, Bureau of Immigration; Willard F. Kelly, Assistant Commissioner, Bureau of Immigration; Walter Erb, Chief of Operations, Farm Placement Division, Department of Labor; William G. MacLean, Chief Economic Adviser, Division of American Affairs, Department of State; and Mr. Alexander, Department of State.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA TEXTBOOKS

Committee on the District of Columbia: Subcommittee on Health, Education, and Recreation met to consider a preliminary report on the textbook study. The committee chairman announced that additional information was necessary before a final report could be drafted and a further meeting has been scheduled for Thursday, January 15, 1948. This also will be an executive meeting.

MINIMUM WAGE

Committee on Education and Labor: Subcommittee on Wages and Hours held hearings on minimum-wage bills and heard William Tyson, Solicitor, Department of Labor. Committee adjourned subject to call of chair.

RACKETEERING

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Met in regular session and adopted unanimously Supplemental Report to the First Intermediate Report

of the Committee—Investigation of the Effectiveness of the Hobbs Amendment in Suppressing Racketeering.

GERMAN DISMANTLING—FOREIGN AID

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Met in executive session on H. Res. 365, providing for an inquiry on dismantling and removal of plants from Germany, and agreed to report out the resolution.

Held hearings on H. R. 4579, to provide means for financing United States programs of foreign aid and to create agencies to carry out such programs, and heard Representative Herter.

FUEL SITUATION

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Continued hearings on threatened shortage of petroleum and other fuels, and heard Arthur H. Gass, Director, Rail Division, Office of Defense Transportation; and Thomas C. Blaisdell, Jr., Assistant to the Secretary of Commerce. Hearings to be continued tomorrow, December 18, in executive session.

MINES AND MINING

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Mines and Mining met in executive session for informal general discussion of policy.

ROADS

Committee on Public Works: Subcommittee on Roads met in executive session and discussed informally various road legislation.

PUBLIC WORKS—COMMODITY EXCHANGES

Committee on Rules: Heard Representatives Macy and Andresen, who favored H. Res. 403, a resolution to authorize and direct the Public Works Committee, or any subcommittee thereof, to make a study of conspiratorial or other questionable practices. The resolution, as amended, was ordered favorably reported.

Heard Representative Andresen, who favored H. Res. 404, a resolution creating a select committee to investigate transactions on commodity exchanges. The resolution was ordered favorably reported.

VETERANS' INSURANCE

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Continued hearings on "Administration of Insurance Section of Veterans' Administration" and heard Harold W. Breining, Assistant Administrator for Insurance, Veterans' Administration; and Representative Brophy.

REPORT ON JOINT COMMITTEE MEETINGS

ATOMIC ENERGY—WORK STOPPAGES

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Committee met in executive session with members of the Atomic Energy Commission and officials of the Department of National Defense. The discussion centered around the necessity of finding means for preventing work stoppages at the vital atomic-energy installations.

HOUSING—NAIL SHORTAGE

Joint Committee on Housing: Flanders subcommittee met in executive session with many representatives of the steel industry to consider housing materials in short supply. The discussion centered around the shortage of nails.

The meeting was called to encourage industry itself to overcome the gray market practices by voluntary agreements. The representatives agreed with the committee that they would take voluntary action to tighten up the supply of nails now going into the gray market (estimated at from 25 to 50 percent). The following three proposals were agreed upon: (1) That they would immediately ship into the gray market area additional nails to ease the situation; (2) to increase the present rate of production; and (3) to ship more rods to non-integrated producers for nail production.

ANTI-INFLATION PROGRAM

Joint Committee on the Economic Report: In executive session the committee unanimously adopted the following recommendations: (1) Endorsed "in principle the restoration of consumer credit controls"; (2) recommended "that appropriate committees of Congress proceed immediately to study measures to regulate improper or excessive speculative trading on the commodity exchanges, with due recognition of the responsibility of maintaining an adequate hedging market"; (3) approved "the extension of export controls"; (4) recommended "the extension of the authority to allocate transportation facilities and equipment"; and (5) approved "the Department of Agriculture's program of encouraging the conservation of grain in this country, including the marketing of livestock at weights and grades that represent the most efficient utilization of grain."

A detailed report was released by the committee.

BILL SIGNED BY THE PRESIDENT

(New Law)

(For listing of Public Laws, see pp. D498-508)

S. 1774, Foreign Aid Act of 1947. Signed December 17, 1947 (P. L. 389).

Thursday, December 18, 1947

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed bills on anti-inflation and making public information on grain trading.

House adopted three investigatory resolutions on sales practices, German factory dismantling, and commodity trading.

Senate Appropriations Committee met with Secretary Anderson on grain trading.

Rule for consideration of anti-inflation program reported by House committee.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 11573-11576.

Bills Introduced: Eleven bills and five resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1900 to S. 1910; S. J. Res. 170; S. Con. Res. 36; and S. Res. 177-179.

Pages 11573-11574, 11593, 11598-11599, 11612

Bills Reported: Bills were reported as follows: S. 1605, war-damage claims to neutral countries (S. Rept. 805); Small Business Report on Oil (S. Rept. 806); S. 1813, to reduce parcel-post rates on packages shipped abroad for relief purposes (S. Rept. 807) (referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations); and H. R. 4748, third supplemental appropriation bill for 1948 (S. Rept. 808).

Pages 11573, 11590, 11597-11598, 11612

Bill Rereferred: House-passed bill H. R. 4748 was rereferred to the Committee on Appropriations. (For passage in House see Digest, p. D487.) Page 11574

Anti-Inflation Program: The Senate, by a vote of 77 yeas to 10 nays, passed S. J. Res. 167, anti-inflation program, and defeated the following amendments by Senator Barkley: To authorize mandatory agreements within industry, 32 yeas to 47 nays; and to authorize mandatory agreements but with a Congressional review period of 30 days, 35 yeas to 48 nays.

Adopted amendment by Senator Taft on voluntary agreements with industry (modification of proposal made by Secretary of Commerce Harriman). A motion by Senator Barkley to strike out section 2, voluntary agreements, was defeated 42 yeas to 44 nays.

Two other amendments by Senator Barkley were adopted authorizing Commodity Credit Corporation to promote production of food in non-European countries and directing the President to carry out a food and feed conservation program on a voluntary basis.

An amendment by Senators Flanders and Baldwin, providing that the President may recommend measures to deal with critical shortages of raw materials when he finds such exist, was adopted by voice vote.

Pages 11576-11589, 11600-11612

Grain Trading: Passed by voice vote S. J. Res. 170, amending the Commodity Exchange Act to permit the Secretary of Agriculture to furnish information on individual grain traders. An amendment by Senators Ferguson and Barkley was adopted providing that the Secretary, at his discretion, may publish such information from time to time and shall transmit such information to the Congressional committees at their request.

Pages 11612-11621

Confirmations: The following nominations were confirmed:

Peyton Ford, the Assistant to the Attorney General; Watson B. Miller, Commissioner of Immigration and Naturalization;

Lawrence C. Kingsland, Commissioner of Patents; Joe E. Daniels, Assistant Commissioner of Patents; Also three district judges, two United States attorneys, and two marshals.

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Reports on Committee Meetings

GRAIN TRADING

Committee on Appropriations: In a morning session Secretary of Agriculture Anderson, in response to a subpoena duces tecum, met with the committee. He was called for purpose of furnishing records relative to trading on the commodity exchanges, in connection with hearings on appropriations for foreign aid (H. R. 4748).

By a vote of 11 to 8, the committee adopted a motion by Senator O'Mahoney to recommend to the Senate the immediate passage of a joint resolution to remove any

legislative doubt as to production of matters outlined in the subpoena to Secretary Anderson, which the committee voted yesterday. The Senate later passed the resolution (S. J. Res. 170).

The committee then adopted a motion by Senator Knowland that Secretary Anderson be requested to supply the information asked of him immediately to the committee in executive session. This motion was adopted by a vote of 10 to 9, but Secretary Anderson would not reveal the information in executive session. Senator Ferguson then moved that Secretary Anderson be requested to furnish immediately in open session the same information. This motion was defeated 8 to 11.

FOREIGN AID—APPROPRIATION

Committee on Appropriations: In an evening session the full committee met to mark up, in executive session, H. R. 4748, third supplemental appropriation bill for 1948, providing foreign-aid funds. The committee expects to conclude action on the bill tonight. Senator Bridges requested and was granted permission to have until midnight to file the report. The Senate will consider the bill tomorrow, December 19.

RECLAMATION ITEMS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Interior received further testimony from Reclamation Commissioner Michael W. Straus, and Kenneth Markwell, Assistant Commissioner, on proposed funds for reclamation purposes carried in H. R. 4748, third supplemental appropriation bill for 1948, providing foreign-aid funds. Later, in executive session, the subcommittee marked up its portion of the bill before the full committee met to act on reporting it to the Senate.

HUNGARIAN HORSES

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee received further testimony from Joseph A. Todd, representing the State Department, on the question of returning horses to the Hungarian Government. Hearings to be continued.

PRICE MORATORIUM

Committee on Banking and Currency: In executive session committee considered S. 1873, Price Moratorium Act of 1947, but made no announcement of action taken. Hearings will be held on this bill later.

WAR CLAIMS

Committee on Foreign Relations: In executive session committee reported, with amendment, S. 1605, war-damage claims to neutral countries. As approved, the bill would limit the amount of claims to 21 million dollars.

The United States Information and Educational Exchange Act (H. R. 3342), the so-called Smith-Mundt bill, was discussed but no decision on final disposition was reached.

FUEL OIL SHORTAGE

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: An Industrial Oil Committee, set up by Interstate and Foreign Commerce Subcommittee, and headed by M. J. Rathbone, president, Standard Oil of New Jersey, reported back to the subcommittee, headed by Senator Tobey. The report embodied various recommendations to overcome "the fuel oil shortage problem during the present winter in the New England and Atlantic seaboard area." It concluded that "there is a gap of approximately 15 percent between the supply and demand for distillate fuels in the area under study over the period December 1947 through March 1948. * * * In respect to heavy residual fuel the same situation exists except that the deficit in supply for this product is estimated to approximate 10 percent rather than 15 percent for the distillate fuels."

To overcome this shortage the report made various recommendations involving consumer cooperation in reducing the amount of oil used, adjustment of refinery yields to maximum production of distillate fuel oils at the expense of gasoline, action by the Maritime Commission on use and repair of idle tankers, place limitations on Government oil requirements for the first quarter of 1948, exercise export controls over oil products, and State and local government action, by creating "emergency fuel coordinators," where shortages occur, to overcome inequitable distributions.

DISPLACED PERSONS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Immigration and Naturalization received testimony from Senators Ives, Byrd, and Smith on S. 1563, to authorize for a limited period of time the admission of certain displaced persons for permanent residence, and S. 830, to admit orphans under 14 of displaced persons. Committee gave Senator Ferguson permission to file a statement on his bill (S. 1563).

Subcommittee members also held a general discussion on the problem of displaced persons.

PRIVILEGES AND ELECTIONS

Committee on Rules and Administration: Subcommittee on Privileges and Elections met briefly in executive session.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Twenty-four public bills, H. R. 4789-4812; three private bills, H. R. 4813-4815; and eight resolutions, H. Res. 408-412, H. J. Res. 284, and H. Con. Res. 125 and 126, were introduced.

Pages 11666, 11672-11673

Bills Reported: Bills and resolutions were reported as follows:

Two private claims bills, H. R. 1912 and H. R. 2557 (H. Repts. 1226 and 1227);

H. J. Res. 275, authorizing Regional Agricultural Credit Corporation to make loans to fur farmers (H. Rept. 1228);

First Annual Report from Select Committee on Small Business (H. Rept. 1229); and

H. Res. 412, waiving points of order on, regulation of amendments to, and providing 1 hour's general debate on S. J. Res. 167, anti-inflation program (H. Rept. 1230).

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Bill Referred: S. J. Res. 157 was referred to the Committee on Banking and Currency. (For passage in Senate, see Digest, p. D486.)

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House Employees: Adopted H. Res. 390 (H. Rept. 1222), H. Res. 398 (H. Rept. 1223), and H. Res. 399 (H. Rept. 1224), authorizing payment of 6 months' salary and \$250 toward the defrayment of funeral expenses to estates of late House employees.

Pages 11635-11636

German Dismantling: Adopted H. Res. 365 (H. Rept. 1225), as amended, providing for an inquiry on dismantling and removal of plants from Germany.

Pages 11636-11640

Sales Practices: Adopted H. Res. 403, authorizing and directing the Committee on Public Works, or any subcommittee thereof, to make studies of conspiratorial or other questionable practices which threaten the national economy of the country.

Pages 11648-11651

Commodity Exchanges: Adopted H. Res. 404, creating a select committee to investigate transactions on commodity exchanges.

Pages 11640-11648

Committee Elections: Considered and agreed to H. Res. 411, electing Representative Nicholson, to the Committee on Banking and Currency; Representative Harvey, to the Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments and the Committee on House

Administration; Representative Busbey, to the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce; Representatives Foote and McCulloch, to the Committee on the Judiciary; Representative Potter, to the Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries; and Representative Goodwin, to the Committee on Ways and Means.

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Reports on Committee Meetings

VETERANS' AERONAUTICAL TRAINING

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Special subcommittee met on construction of certain provisions of the law providing for benefits to GI's as applied to aeronautical training in colleges and universities under the GI act and heard Edward E. Odom, Solicitor, Veterans' Administration; H. V. Stirling, Director of Rehabilitation and Vocational Training, Veterans' Administration; K. F. Clardy, Assistant Attorney General for State of Michigan; Dr. Leslie A. Bryan, director of aviation, University of Illinois, representing the National Association of University Administrators of Air Age Education; C. E. A. Brown, Director of Aeronautics, State of Ohio; and Mario Fontana, member of Michigan Aeronautics Commission.

FUEL SITUATION

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Met in executive session to confer with representatives of petroleum industry and Government witnesses on fuel shortages existing in certain areas. Hearing will be continued.

POSTAL RATES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: St. George subcommittee met on postal rate and fee making procedure, and heard Robert Ramspeck, executive vice president, Air Transport Association of America, who stated that Congress should retain its control over postal rates, but a procedure to provide a forum to resolve disputes as to costs would be helpful; Dr. Louis Sorrell, National Council on Business Mail, who stated that present procedures are satisfactory; Francis Pratt, National Association of Magazine Publishers, who testified that procedure should be established to set rates based on service performed, and that a separate unit should be set up for this purpose; and John O'Connor, Postal Committee on Books, who favored congressional control of rates but with the addition of a procedure to examine costs

and recommend rates. Subcommittee adjourned subject to call of chair.

ANTI-INFLATION PROGRAM

Committee on Rules: Heard Chairman Wolcott, who favored a closed rule, Representative Monroney, and Representative Hays of Arkansas, of the Committee on Banking and Currency, who favored an open rule providing consideration of S. J. Res. 167, anti-inflation program. The committee reported a resolution waiving

points of order, barring amendments, and providing one hour of general debate.

VETERANS' HOMESTEAD ACT

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Held open hearings on H. R. 4488, and 22 identical bills on "The Veterans' Homestead Act of 1948" and heard James F. O'Neil, national commander, the American Legion; and Walter E. Alessandroni, chairman, national housing committee, the American Legion. Committee adjourned subject to call of chair.

Friday, December 19, 1947

HIGHLIGHTS

Both Houses cleared foreign-aid funds and anti-inflation bills for President and adjourned first session of the Eightieth Congress.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 11673-11677.

Bills Introduced: Fourteen bills and three resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1911 to S. 1924; S. Res. 180 and 181; and S. Con. Res. 37.

Pages 11674, 11676, 11719

Economic Report: Interim Report of the Joint Committee on the Economic Report (S. Rept. 809) was ordered to be printed.

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European Aid: Received President's message on European recovery program (Marshall Plan), which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

Pages 11749-11754

Supplemental Appropriation: Senate passed H. R. 4748, third supplemental appropriation bill for 1948, including funds for foreign aid, totaling \$1,094,286,500, which is an increase of \$319,084,500 over the House-approved figure.

An amendment by Senator Vandenberg fixed the amount available for China at \$18,000,000.

A committee amendment, prohibiting use of certain funds for payment of personnel engaged in dismantling nonmilitary plants in Germany, was defeated by voice vote.

Two committee amendments, proposing to reduce funds for the Bureau of Reclamation by \$2,564,000, were defeated. An amendment by Senator O'Mahoney, raising the limitation from \$1,750,000 to \$2,750,000 for the use of the Department of Agriculture under the Anti-Inflation Act, was adopted by voice vote. An amendment by Senator Hayden, to increase the limitation on losses to \$65,000,000 that the Government may incur in the sale of commodities under the Foreign Aid Act, was adopted.

A conference was asked of the House, and the following Senators appointed: Bridges, Reed, Brooks, Ball, McKellar, Hayden, and Thomas of Oklahoma.

The conference report was later agreed to, clearing the bill for the President.

Pages 11678-11704, 11719

Committee Assignment: Senator Flanders was relieved from further service from the Committee on the District of Columbia.

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Signature: Passed H. Con. Res. 128, authorizing the Speaker and the President pro tempore to sign bills during the adjournment of Congress.

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Adjournment: Passed H. Con. Res. 127, providing for sine die adjournment. Pursuant to this resolution the Senate adjourned sine die at 7:17 after having recessed from 5:50 to 7:10 p. m. (Under previous resolution the next session will convene January 6, 1948.)

Pages 11719-11720

Reports on Committee Meetings

HUNGARIAN HORSES

Committee on Armed Services: Continuing hearings on the question of returning horses to the Hungarian Government, the committee received further testimony from Col. Peter C. Hains III, representing the War De-

partment, and Col. Fred L. Hamilton, retired, speaking for himself.

The State Department filed a memorandum on United States restitution policies in occupied areas.

Committee continues these hearings December 29 at 10 a. m., in 212 Senate Office Building.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Thirteen public bills, H. R. 4816-4828; three private bills, H. R. 4829-4831; and five resolutions, H. Res. 413 and 414, and H. Con. Res. 127-129, were introduced.

Pages 11738, 11762, 11763

Resolution Reported: A resolution was reported as follows:

H. Res. 385, requesting Secretary of Interior to furnish full information concerning amount of fuel oil and petroleum products now available in this country, and necessary recommendations to make necessary supply available (H. Rept. 1231).

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Commodity Exchanges: Pursuant to H. Res. 404, creating a select committee to investigate transactions on the commodity exchanges, the Speaker appointed Representatives August H. Andresen, chairman, Crawford, Buffett, Jenkins of Pennsylvania, McCormack, Rains, and Carroll to serve on the committee.

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Anti-Inflation Program: House passed, by a vote of 282 yeas to 73 nays, S. J. Res. 167, anti-inflation program. The measure was passed after a motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Banking and Currency had been rejected. This motion, offered by Representative Monroney, instructed the committee to authorize the President to issue orders and regulations as well as consult with representatives of industry and business in the matter of voluntary agreements. It was defeated by a vote of 73 yeas to 156 noes.

The joint resolution was passed in the identical form as sent over from the Senate, thus completing all legislative action. The body had previously adopted H. Res. 412, the rule fixing length of debate and conditions gov-

erning amendment, by a vote of 203 yeas to 144 nays. All points of order against the resolution were waived by the rule.

Pages 11720-11728, 11729-11738

Presidential Message: Heard Executive program on United States support for European recovery, which was ordered printed as a House document (H. Doc. 478).

Pages 11749-11754

Enrolled Bills: Adopted H. Con. Res. 128, authorizing the Speaker of the House and the President pro tempore of the Senate to sign enrolled bills.

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Investigatory Resolutions: Two resolutions, from the Committee on House Administration, were reported, considered, and agreed to—

H. Res. 407 (H. Rept. 1232), appropriating \$25,000 to the Select Committee to Investigate Transactions on the Commodity Exchanges to conduct investigations pursuant to H. Res. 404.

H. Res. 373 (H. Rept. 1233), appropriating \$25,000 to the Committee on Public Works to make studies of questionable sales practices, pursuant to H. Res. 403.

Pages 11738-11739

Grain Trading: Passed, by voice vote, S. J. Res. 170, amending the Commodity Exchange Act to permit the Secretary of Agriculture to furnish information on individual grain traders. An amendment, by Representative Hoffman, requesting the Treasury Department or Bureau of Internal Revenue to furnish income-tax statements of these traders, was rejected by a division vote, 41 yeas to 89 noes.

Pages 11740-11743

Legislative Program: Adopted H. Res. 414, to inform the President of the completion of all business before the House of Representatives.

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Appropriations, Foreign Aid: Agreed to conference report (H. Rept. 1234), on H. R. 4748, third supplemental appropriation bill for 1948, providing foreign aid funds. The vote on a division count was 233 ayes to 2 noes, for passage.

As completed, the measure provides \$540,000,000 for foreign aid, with \$522,000,000 being supplied for European countries and \$18,000,000 for China. The amount to be furnished for civil functions of Government and relief in the occupied areas was increased from \$230,000,000, as passed by the House, to \$340,000,000. A further increase of \$72,000 was also granted for funds to be allowed for the Bureau of Reclamation. The wheat carry-over of 150,000,000 bushels to be held in the United States was retained.

The conferees appointed on the part of the House were: Representatives Taber, Wigglesworth, Engel of Michigan, Case of South Dakota, Keefe, Plumley, Cannon, Kerr, and Mahon.

Pages 11757, 11759

Adjournment: Pursuant to H. Con. Res. 127, the House of Representatives adjourned the Eightieth Congress, first session, sine die, at 7:32 p. m.

Reports on Committee Meetings

EXPENDITURE AUTHORIZATIONS

Committee on House Administration: Met in executive session and voted to favorably report to the House H. Res. 373, which authorizes an appropriation of \$25,000 for an investigation of black markets by the Committee on Public Works; and H. Res. 407, which provides \$25,000 for expenses of Select Committee To Investigate Transactions on Commodity Exchanges, which was created by H. Res. 404.

FUEL SHORTAGES

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Following a conference with members of the petroleum industry and various Government witnesses the committee adopted a resolution designed to alleviate the threatened fuel shortages that exist in certain sections of the country. Chairman Wolverton was granted permission to insert this resolution in the Record.

FUEL RESOURCES

Committee on Public Lands: Full committee met in executive session and ordered favorably reported to the House H. Res. 385, requesting information from Secre-

tary of Interior relative to the amounts of fuel oil, gasoline, petroleum products, and coal now available in the United States and recommendations on making the proper and necessary supply available.

SALES PRACTICES

Committee on Public Works: Full committee met in executive session, following which the chairman announced the appointment of the following special subcommittee to conduct investigations authorized and directed by H. Res. 403: Representatives Macy, chairman, Coffin, Muhlenberg, Whittington, and Boykin.

H. Res. 403 authorizes and directs the Committee on Public Works, or any subcommittee thereof, to make studies of conspiratorial or other questionable practices which threaten the national economy.

REPORT ON JOINT COMMITTEE MEETINGS

PAPER CONTRACTS—GPO WAGES

Joint Committee on Printing: The committee awarded contracts for 51 lots of paper comprising 11,950,000 pounds and representing 58.2 percent of the total estimated requirements for the 3-month period beginning January 1, 1948. The value of the new schedule is \$1,354,971, an increase of \$18,853, or 1 1/10 percent, over the price schedule of the current quarter.

Contracts were awarded by the committee on 22 lots of envelopes to cover requirements for the 6-month period beginning January 1, 1948. Value of this schedule is \$67,373, a decline of \$5,092, or seven-tenths of 1 percent, from the price schedule of the current quarter.

The committee approved, immediately effective, the new wage rates at the Government Printing Office, which represent a flat increase of 12 3/8 percent for all of the journeymen groups.

BILLS SIGNED BY THE PRESIDENT

(New Laws)

(For last listing of Public Laws, see p. D488)

H. R. 4627, Navajo and Hopi Indian relief bill. Signed December 19, 1947 (P. L. 390).

H. R. 4469, procurement of personnel for the Commission on Organization of the Executive Branch of the Government. Signed December 19, 1947 (P. L. 391).

Résumé of Congressional Activity

This report is cumulative, giving an account for the first session, January 3, 1947, through adjournment on December 19, 1947.

DATA ON LEGISLATIVE ACTIVITY

January 3 through adjournment, December 19, 1947

	Senate	House	Total
Days in session.....	143	144	..
Time in session.....	807 hrs., 36'	686 hrs., 2'	..
Average length of each day's session.....	5.6 hrs.	4.8 hrs.	..
Congressional Record: ¹			
Pages of proceedings...	6,150	5,739	11,889
Pages of appendix.....	..	..	5,302
Public bills enacted into law..	120	275	395
Private bills enacted into law..	37	94	131
Bills in conference.....	..	..	4
Bills through conference.....	..	..	62
Measures passed, total.....	841	1,029	..
Senate bills.....	278	1138	..
House bills.....	368	568	..
Senate joint resolutions..	47	129	..
House joint resolutions..	30	33	..
Senate concurrent resolutions.....	12	10	..
House concurrent resolutions.....	19	21	..
Simple resolutions.....	87	230	317
Measures reported, total.....	973	1,100	..
Senate bills.....	357	102	..
House bills.....	401	753	..
Senate joint resolutions..	53	14	..
House joint resolutions..	31	48	..
Senate concurrent resolutions.....	16	2	..
House concurrent resolutions.....	20	12	..
Simple resolutions.....	95	169	264
Special reports.....	21	75	..
Conference reports.....	..	..	59
Reported measures not acted on.....	93	116	..
Measures introduced, total...	2,312	5,658	7,970
Bills.....	1,924	4,831	6,755
Joint resolutions.....	170	284	454
Concurrent resolutions..	37	129	166
Simple resolutions.....	181	414	595
Quorum calls.....	332	69	401
Yea-and-nay votes.....	138	84	222

¹ Figures refer to daily Congressional Record.

DISPOSITION OF EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS THROUGH ADJOURNMENT, DECEMBER 19, 1947

Postmaster nominations, totaling 1,285, disposed of as follows:

Confirmed.....	935
Withdrawn.....	116
Rejected.....	None
Unconfirmed.....	234

Army nominations, totaling 25,863, disposed of as follows:

Confirmed.....	25,568
Withdrawn.....	10
Rejected.....	None
Unconfirmed.....	285

Navy nominations, totaling 11,144, disposed of as follows:

Confirmed.....	11,115
Withdrawn.....	None
Rejected.....	None
Unconfirmed.....	29

Marine Corps nominations, totaling 759, disposed of as follows:

Confirmed.....	757
Withdrawn.....	None
Rejected.....	None
Unconfirmed.....	2

Civilian nominations other than postmasters, totaling 1,506, disposed of as follows:

Confirmed.....	1,480
Withdrawn.....	6
Rejected.....	None
Unconfirmed.....	20

Summary

Total nominations received.....	40,557
Total rejected.....	None
Total withdrawn.....	132
Total unconfirmed.....	570
Total confirmed.....	39,855

*These figures on measures reported include all placed on calendar or acted on by Senate even if there was no accompanying report. A total of 809 reports has been filed in the Senate; a total of 1,234 has been filed in the House.

**This figure does not agree with the total difference between bills reported and bills passed, because resolutions and bills placed on the House Calendar without having been formally reported were not included in figures of measures reported to the House; the difference in the case of Senate figures is due to uncounted bills "laid on the table" or "indefinitely postponed."

†Forty-eight Senate bills and eight Senate Joint Resolutions were passed in lieu of companion House measures, which were "laid on the table."

TABLE OF APPROPRIATION BILLS, EIGHTIETH CONGRESS, FIRST SESSION

Bill No.	Title	House			Senate			Public Law	
		Date reported	Amount as reported	Date passed	Amount as reported	Date passed	Amount as passed	Date approved	Amount as approved
H. R. 1968	Urgent Deficiency, 1947, Recession (Cash)	Feb. 17	\$179,319,100	Feb. 18	\$139,360,000	Feb. 28	\$181,486,231	Mar. 22	\$179,645,668
H. R. 2436	Treasury-Post Office, 1948, Treasury	Mar. 7	564,217,844	Mar. 11	574,148,579	May 26	565,461,151	July 1	567,461,151
H. R. 2700	Post Office, 1948, Labor	Mar. 21	4,099,123,500	Mar. 25	3,202,050,750	Apr. 28	3,243,045,173	July 8	3,216,509,450
H. J. Res. 154	Labor-Federal Security, 1948, F. S. A.	Mar. 21	1,545,089,250	Mar. 25	1,530,733,250	Apr. 28	1,532,538,650	July 8	1,684,848,400
H. J. Res. 154	Related agencies, 1948, Hoof-and-mouth disease	Mar. 21	1,771,614,039	Mar. 25	1,685,586,710	Apr. 28	1,676,198,080	July 8	1,674,158,631
H. J. Res. 154	To supply deficiencies, 1948, First deficiency	Mar. 21	9,000,000	Mar. 21	9,000,000	Mar. 24	9,000,000	Mar. 27	9,000,000
H. R. 2849	Interior Department, 1948, Second Deficiency, 1947	Mar. 28	243,714,587	Mar. 26	243,255,607	Mar. 27	243,255,607	Mar. 29	243,255,607
H. R. 3123	State-Justice-Commerce, 1948, State	Apr. 21	3,082,332,589	Apr. 1	2,827,526,186	Apr. 21	2,832,180,266	May 1	2,835,161,509
H. R. 3245	Justice, 1948, Commerce	Apr. 21	295,463,080	Apr. 25	161,413,513	June 13	215,530,353	July 25	194,587,859
H. R. 3311	Judiciary, 1948, Navy, 1948	Apr. 29	224,528,415	May 2	170,478,658	May 15	210,418,858	May 26	192,438,858
H. R. 3493	State-Justice-Commerce, 1948, State	May 5	698,788,588	May 15	538,976,492	June 24	551,343,932	July 9	551,175,932
H. R. 3601	Commerce, 1948, Navy, 1948	May 23	279,699,268	May 28	219,128,058	July 11	234,724,703	July 30	232,724,703
H. R. 3678	Commerce, 1948, Navy, 1948	May 29	111,470,000	June 5	108,396,500	July 9	107,438,230	July 30	107,488,230
H. R. 3756	Commerce, 1948, Navy, 1948	June 9	286,989,000	June 11	191,057,000	July 14	192,332,834	July 30	191,914,834
H. R. 3791	Commerce, 1948, Navy, 1948	June 11	20,630,320	June 12	17,146,450	June 20	17,248,165	June 27	19,048,165
H. R. 3839	Commerce, 1948, Navy, 1948	June 13	3,513,000,300	June 18	3,135,481,100	June 23	3,312,044,300	July 3	3,268,766,100
H. R. 3993	Commerce, 1948, Navy, 1948	June 13	802,360,608	June 18	572,172,266	June 23	664,836,426	July 3	613,046,826
H. R. 4002	Commerce, 1948, Navy, 1948	June 13	5,716,791,500	June 18	5,280,982,423	June 23	5,616,618,799	July 3	5,482,529,633
H. R. 4031	Commerce, 1948, Navy, 1948	June 13	50,137,500	June 18	36,097,580	June 23	31,746,918	July 3	35,040,000
H. R. 4106	Commerce, 1948, Navy, 1948	June 13	56,497,250	June 18	41,649,700	June 23	47,435,000	July 3	45,535,000
H. R. 4269	Commerce, 1948, Navy, 1948	June 13	61,778,758	June 18	38,856,257	June 23	72,236,257	July 3	72,236,257
H. R. 4268	Commerce, 1948, Navy, 1948	June 13	8,500,497,759	June 18	8,167,869,027	June 23	8,294,006,027	July 3	8,188,822,927
H. R. 4347	Commerce, 1948, Navy, 1948	June 13	76,153,077	June 18	54,895,005	June 23	55,596,908	July 3	55,294,435
H. R. 4748	Commerce, 1948, Navy, 1948	June 13	619,727,100	June 18	339,186,869	June 23	539,927,449	July 3	502,123,912
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		June 13	95,793,160	June 18	95,930,310	June 23	94,947,504	July 3	95,504,737
		June 13	1,925,683,823	June 18	1,603,199,094	June 23	1,679,076,897	July 3	1,658,802,197
		June 13	35,500,000	June 18	35,500,000	June 23	35,500,000	July 3	35,500,000
		June 13	242,285,460	June 18	100,059,200	June 23	111,822,200	July 3	106,695,100
		June 13	1,118,165,000	June 18	772,726,000	June 23	1,091,722,500	July 3	914,286,500

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Relating to officers and employees of the Congress. Extending for 15 months during which alcohol plants are permitted to produce sugar or sirups simultaneously with production of alcohol.	S. J. Res. 3 (S. J. Res. 5)	Jan. 6	App. WM	App. Fin	Jan. 20	Jan. 6	8	5	493	133	Jan. 21	Jan. 6	1
Relating to salaries of Senate employees. Providing more effective organization of Senate standing committees.	S. J. Res. 4 (S. J. Res. 24)	Jan. 6	App. App	App. App	Feb. 5	Jan. 22	19	8	1114	603	Feb. 17	Jan. 27	2
Amend the National Service Life Insurance Act.	H. R. 1353	Jan. 27	V.A. MMF*	Fin. IFC	Jan. 29	Feb. 7	13	22	662	1072	Feb. 17	Feb. 19	3
Continue authority of Maritime Commission to operate vessels until July 1, 1947.	H. J. Res. 114	Feb. 10	WM	Fin. Agr	Feb. 14	Feb. 21	34	33	1120	1283	Feb. 17	Feb. 21	4
Granting deductions, for tax purposes, of contributions to UN. Authorizing Secretary of Agriculture to cooperate with Mexican Government in control and eradication of foot-and-mouth disease.	H. J. Res. 121 (H. R. 1819)	Feb. 11	Ag*	Fin. Agr	Feb. 17	Feb. 14	38	24	1319	1071	Feb. 21	Feb. 26	5
Allowing additional time for Philadelphia National Shrine Park Commission to submit its report to Congress.	S. J. Res. 33 (H. J. Res. 33)	Jan. 15	PL	PL	Feb. 18	Jan. 27	50	.....	1625	719	Mar. 3	Mar. 7	6
To authorize Arizona irrigation projects to drill, equip and acquire wells.	S. J. Res. 40 (H. J. Res. 126)	Feb. 7	PL	PL	Feb. 18	Feb. 10	51	23	1626	969	Mar. 3	Mar. 7	7
Authorizing Secretary of Navy to grant an easement to city of Los Angeles.	S. J. Res. 235	Jan. 15	AS*	AS*	Feb. 18	Feb. 5	52	17	1627	889	Mar. 3	Mar. 7	8
To authorize Maritime Commission to provide ocean transportation to Alaska until July 1, 1948.	H. J. Res. 122	Feb. 12	MMF*	IFC	Feb. 18	Feb. 28	39	42	1127	1547	Feb. 18	Feb. 28	9
To authorize the Secretary of Navy to grant an easement to Central of Georgia Ry.	S. 234	Jan. 15	AS*	AS*	Feb. 18	Feb. 5	55	16	1643	889	Mar. 4	Mar. 7	10
Authorizing payment of \$435.88 to Swiss Government.	H. R. 1040	Jan. 16	FA	FR	Feb. 5	Feb. 19	21	31	1623	1679	Mar. 3	Mar. 5	11
To amend the Federal Firearms Act.	H. R. 1778 (S. 902)	Feb. 6	IFC	Jud	Feb. 18	Feb. 17	48	27	1629	1679	Mar. 3	Mar. 5	12
To provide for certification of batches of drugs composed wholly or partly of any kind of streptomycin or any derivative thereof.	H. R. 2045 (S. 445)	Feb. 18	IFC	IFC	Feb. 26	Mar. 3	75	45	1628	1704	Mar. 3	Mar. 5	13
Continuing certain war excise taxes.	H. R. 1090	Jan. 16	WM	Fin	Jan. 20	Feb. 7	6	21	692	1092	Jan. 29	Feb. 17	14
Authorizing Secretary of Navy to convey an easement to A. T. & T. in Virginia and Maryland.	H. R. 220	Jan. 15	AS*	AS*	Feb. 18	Feb. 5	53	13	1643	888	Mar. 4	Mar. 7	15
Authorizing Secretary of Navy to convey an easement to Virginia Electric & Power Co.	S. 221	Jan. 15	AS*	AS*	Feb. 18	Feb. 5	54	14	1643	889	Mar. 4	Mar. 7	16
Urgent deficiency appropriation.	H. R. 1968	Feb. 17	App*	App*	Feb. 26	Feb. 5	36	43	1144	1704	Feb. 18	Mar. 11	17
To provide settlement of travel allowance accounts of military personnel.	S. 276	Jan. 17	AS*	AS*	Feb. 26	Feb. 5	76	18	2143	890	Mar. 17	Mar. 22	18
Appropriation for control of foot-and-mouth disease.	H. J. Res. 154 (S. J. Res. 27)	Mar. 20	App	App	Mar. 21	Mar. 24	179	65	2394	2331	Mar. 21	Mar. 25	19
Amending the Settlement of Claims Act of 1942.	S. J. Res. 48 (H. J. Res. 48)	Jan. 13	FA	FR	Mar. 20	Mar. 18	175	57	2464	2243	Mar. 24	Mar. 28	20
To maintain an adequate domestic rubber producing industry.	H. J. Res. 118 (S. J. Res. 79)	Feb. 10	AS*	BC*	Mar. 12	Mar. 21	141	63	2158	2448	Mar. 17	Mar. 24	21
Appropriating \$24,255,607 to supply certain deficiencies.	H. R. 1559	Mar. 25	App*	App*	Mar. 26	Mar. 27	185	79	2626	2820	Mar. 26	Mar. 28	22
To establish the Office of Selective Service Records.	S. 918	Jan. 16	MMF*	IFC	Mar. 6	Mar. 24	95	72	2034	2796	Mar. 13	Mar. 28	23
To authorize the Coast Guard Commandant to waive compliance with navigation and vessel inspection laws.	H. J. Res. 76	Jan. 16	MMF*	IFC	Mar. 6	Mar. 24	94	71	2023	2796	Mar. 13	Mar. 28	24
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Extension of certain provisions of Second War Powers Act to June 30, 1947.	S. 931 (H. R. 1983)	Mar. 18	Jud	Jud	Mar. 27	Mar. 25	192	74	2782	2697	Mar. 27	Mar. 27	29
Continue sugar rationing until Oct. 31, 1947.	H. J. Res. 146 (S. J. Res. 58)	Mar. 4	BC	BC	Mar. 15	Mar. 12	150	50	2416	2732	Mar. 21	Mar. 27	30
Authorize Secretaries of State and War and Internal Revenue Commissioner and Boy Scouts' World Jamboree.	H. R. 1621	Feb. 5	AS	AS	Mar. 25	Apr. 3	182	88	2897	3146	Mar. 31	Apr. 7	31
Authorizing the Secretary of Navy to grant right-of-way to city of San Diego, Calif.	S. 231	Jan. 15	AS	AS	Mar. 13	Feb. 5	148	15	3256	889	Apr. 9	Feb. 7	32
Authorizing furnishing steam, from central heating plant, to DAR property.	S. 516 (H. R. 2086)	Feb. 5	PW	PW	Mar. 17	Mar. 25	160	75	3258	3144	Apr. 9	Apr. 7	33
Extension for additional 5-year period, the 5-year term Government insurance policies for veterans.	H. R. 1397	Jan. 27	V.A.	Fin	Feb. 5	Apr. 2	18	84	2015	3145	Mar. 13	Apr. 7	34
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Establish a permanent Nurse Corps in Army and Navy and a Women's Medical Specialist Corps in the Army.	H. R. 1945	Feb. 13	AS*	AS*	Feb. 28	Mar. 26	81	77	2014	3145	Mar. 13	Apr. 7	36
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Establishing the Theodore Roosevelt National Park.	H. R. 1731	Jan. 9	PL	PL	Feb. 18	Mar. 17	49	54	1625	3144	Apr. 3	Apr. 7	38
Extend the time for Fort Lauderdale, Fla., to purchase certain Coast Guard property.	H. R. 1069	Feb. 31	MMF	IFC	Apr. 21	Apr. 18	280	.....	3860	3295	Apr. 23	Apr. 10	39
Extending the Farm Labor Supply Program.	H. R. 2102	Mar. 6	Ag*	Ag*	Feb. 24	Mar. 12	70	52	1666	3214	Mar. 4	Apr. 8	40
To permit the Federal Reserve Board to purchase directly Government securities until July 1, 1950.	H. R. 828	Mar. 6	BC	BC	Mar. 10	Mar. 24	116	70	2333	3715	Mar. 20	Apr. 21	41
To suspend certain import duties on copper.	H. R. 2404	Feb. 26	WM*	Fin*	Mar. 10	Apr. 11	108	98	1998	3714	Mar. 12	Apr. 21	42
To restore the name of Hoover Dam.	H. J. Res. 140 (S. J. Res. 45)	Feb. 10	PL	PL	Mar. 4	Mar. 17	67	55	1734	3847	Mar. 6	Apr. 23	43
To provide annual and sick leave for rural letter carriers.	S. 547 (H. R. 1636)	Feb. 28	POCS	CS	Mar. 20	Mar. 5	177	47	3259	2431	Apr. 9	Mar. 24	44
Authorizing District of Columbia Commissioners to establish daylight saving time.	S. 736 (H. R. 1700)	Feb. 28	DC	DC	Apr. 22	Mar. 12	287	.....	4166	2448	Apr. 28	Mar. 24	45
Amending the charter of the American Red Cross.	H. R. 2849	Mar. 28	App*	App*	Mar. 28	Apr. 21	200	107	2992	3935	Apr. 1	Apr. 24	46
To permit communications carriers to provide free communications privileges to participants in world telecommunications conference.	S. J. Res. 102	Apr. 18	IFC	IFC	May 2	Apr. 24	334	138	4977	4151	May 9	Apr. 28	47
Postal-to-Postal Pay Act.	H. R. 2157	Feb. 24	Jud*	Jud*	Feb. 25	Mar. 10	71	48	1573	2375	Feb. 28	Mar. 21	48
Relating to Naval Reserve with respect to members from Philippines.	H. J. Res. 90	Jan. 27	AS*	AS*	Mar. 12	Apr. 24	143	136	3254	4563	Apr. 9	May 6	49
Sale of land in Alaska.	H. R. 173	Jan. 3	PL	PL	Mar. 6	Apr. 21	96	112	2206	4560	Mar. 18	May 6	50
Authorizing appointment of United States Commissioner at Big Bend National Park, Tex.	H. R. 490	Jan. 6	PL	PL	Mar. 6	Apr. 21	100	113	2145	4560	Mar. 17	May 6	51
Authorizing waiver of jurisdiction by District of Columbia juvenile Court in capital offenses.	H. R. 492	Jan. 6	DC	DC	Apr. 10	May 2	242	.....	3354	4566	Apr. 14	May 6	52
Authorizing appointment of United States Commissioner in Shenandoah National Park.	H. R. 729	Jan. 9	PL	PL	Mar. 6	Apr. 21	101	114	2145	4560	Mar. 17	May 6	53
Amending Pay Readjustment Act relative to dependent allowances.	H. R. 1363	Jan. 27	AS*	AS*	Feb. 18	Apr. 24	45	129	1626	4564	Mar. 3	May 6	54
Creating the Office of Navy Chief of Chaplains.	H. R. 1365	Jan. 27	AS*	AS*	Mar. 3	Apr. 24	84	130	2144	4563	Mar. 17	May 6	55
Creating the permanent positions of Undersecretaries of War and Navy.	H. R. 1369	Jan. 27	AS*	AS*	Mar. 12	Apr. 24	140	128	3254	4562	Apr. 9	May 6	56
Relating to acceptance of foreign decorations by members of armed forces.	H. R. 1381	Jan. 27	AS	AS	Feb. 12	Apr. 24	30	134	1624	4563	Mar. 3	May 6	57
To provide for the policing of the Washington, D. C., National Airport.	H. R. 2758	Mar. 24	IFC	IFC	Mar. 31	Apr. 24	206	142	3263	4565	Apr. 9	May 6	58
Authorizing removal of stone piers in West Executive Ave., Washington, D. C.	H. R. 2846	Mar. 28	DC	DC	Apr. 9	Apr. 22	241	.....	3358	4562	Apr. 14	May 6	59
To provide that positions on Army seniority lists be determined by date of offering commissions.	H. R. 1603	Feb. 3	AS	AS	Mar. 27	Apr. 24	195	135	3262	4563	Apr. 9	May 6	60
To increase from 2 to 3 percent the authorized total of Navy officers to serve in the Corps of Engineers.	H. R. 1359	Jan. 27	AS*	AS*	Mar. 3	Apr. 24	83	127	2144	4564	Mar. 17	May 6	61
Authorizing construction of 2 experimental submarines.	H. R. 1367	Jan. 27	AS*	AS*	Feb. 17	Apr. 24	37	131	1624	4563	Mar. 3	May 6	62
To include civilian employees of U. S. Naval Government on Guam under the Missing Persons Act.	H. R. 1368	Jan. 27	AS*	AS*	Mar. 27	Apr. 24	196	133	3261	4563	Apr. 9	May 6	63

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Relieving customs collectors of liability to collect certain tonnage duties.	S. 132	Jan. 10	Jud	Fin	Apr. 14	Feb. 7	249	20	5028	914	May 12	Feb. 30	May 16	65
Amending the Nationality Act of 1940 relative to nonprofit photographic studio.	S. (H. R. 1465)	Jan. 31	Jud	Jud	Apr. 17	Apr. 10	273	96	5044	3710	May 12	Apr. 21	May 16	66
Authorizing compensatory time off for meritorious services of prison inmates.	S. (H. R. 2238)	Feb. 7	Jud	Jud	Mar. 18	Apr. 21	164	108	5025	4560	May 12	May 6	May 16	67
Granting authorization for construction of dam across Dan River, N. C.	S. (H. R. 1999)	Jan. 6	PW	PW	Apr. 22	Apr. 2	280	83	5047	3145	May 12	Apr. 7	May 16	68
Changing name of Lager-Alton irrigation project to that of W. C. Austin (Oklahoma).	S. 214	Jan. 15	PL	PL	Mar. 17	Mar. 17	136	56	5023	2436	May 12	Mar. 24	May 16	69
Conveying certain property to Marblehead, Mass.	S. (H. R. 797)	Jan. 6	MMF	AS*	Feb. 20	Apr. 24	61	126	1650	4564	Mar. 3	May 6	May 16	70
Authorizing appointments to Naval Academy from enlisted men of Navy and Marine Corps.	S. (H. R. 450)	Feb. 10	AS*	AS*	Mar. 13	Apr. 24	147	132	3256	4563	Apr. 9	May 6	May 16	71
To limit the time within which GAO shall make settlement of accounts of disbursing officers.	S. 273	Jan. 17	Expend.	Expend.	Mar. 6	Apr. 11	92	99	5044	4569	May 12	May 6	May 19	72
Authorizing reduction of interest charges on Nebraska irrigation project.	S. (H. R. 2076)	Jan. 10	PL	PL	Mar. 6	Apr. 21	102	115	2146	4560	Mar. 17	May 6	May 19	73
Providing \$300 payments to members of Shoshone and Arapaho Tribes in Wyoming.	S. (S. 666)	Jan. 20	PL*	PL*	Mar. 20	Apr. 21	172	117	3257	4561	Apr. 9	May 8	May 19	74
Authorizing \$400,000 for aid to Greece and Turkey.	S. (H. R. 1098)	Jan. 19	FA*	FA*	Apr. 25	Apr. 3	314	90	4975	3793	May 9	Apr. 22	May 22	75
Second Deficiency Appropriation.	S. (H. R. 2616)	Apr. 29	App*	App*	Mar. 6	Apr. 21	323	175	4476	5430	May 2	May 16	May 26	76
Amending the Mineral Leasing Act to provide that 37½ percent of income from royalties and sales shall go to Alaska and States concerned.	S. (H. R. 193)	Jan. 3	PL*	PL*	Mar. 6	Apr. 21	97	118	2144	4560	Mar. 17	May 6	May 27	77
Authorizing operation of museum on Fort Hall Indian Reservation.	S. 1584	Jan. 30	PL	PL	Apr. 1	Apr. 21	214	119	3264	4560	Apr. 9	May 6	May 27	78
To fix the compensation of locomotive inspectors.	S. (H. R. 2123)	Feb. 20	IFC	IFC	Mar. 11	Apr. 24	121	139	2146	4565	May 12	May 22	May 29	79
To authorize preparation of plans for District of Columbia courthouse.	S. (S. 450)	Apr. 14	PW*	PW*	Apr. 24	May 20	303	191	5055	5655	May 12	May 22	May 31	80
Authorizing \$35,000,000 for completion of unfinished housing units.	S. 236	Jan. 3	Jud	Jud	Mar. 10	May 20	110	188	2146	5658	Mar. 17	May 22	May 31	81
Employment of counsel of the Special Committee to Investigate the National Defense Program.	S. (H. R. 2780)	Apr. 28	BC*	BC*	Apr. 17	May 2	274	151	5394	4568	May 15	May 6	May 31	82
Relating to the taking of trial pieces of coins.	S. 565	Feb. 11	BC	BC	May 9	Feb. 28	342	39	6190	2430	June 2	Mar. 24	June 5	87
To exchange lands for Silver Creek recreational demonstration project, Oregon.	S. (H. R. 1931)	Feb. 11	PL	PL	May 13	Apr. 21	369	110	6185	4560	June 2	May 6	June 9	88
Reincorporation of the Export-Import Bank.	S. 993	Mar. 28	BC*	BC*	May 19	Apr. 17	393	104	6214	3711	June 2	Apr. 21	June 9	89
To authorize adequate White House police force.	S. 1022	Apr. 2	DC	DC	May 20	May 10	400	157	6108	5654	May 29	May 22	June 9	90
Authorize the Veterans' Administrator to continue offices in the Philippines.	S. (H. R. 2947)	May 13	VA*	VA*	May 19	May 16	392	177	6191	5657	June 2	May 22	June 14	91
Amending sec. 3539 of the Revised Statutes in respect to deviations in standards and weights of silver coin.	S. (H. R. 196)	Feb. 11	BC	BC	May 9	Feb. 28	343	40	6190	2612	June 2	Mar. 26	June 14	92

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Extend until June 30, 1949, the period during which persons may serve in certain executive departments without being prohibited from prosecuting claims against the United States.	S. 1073	Apr. 9	WM	WM	May 22	May 12	424	163	6206	5655	June 2	May 22	June 14	93
Extend provisions of Servicemen's Readjustment Act, relating to leases.	S. 1135	Apr. 21	VA*	VA*	May 22	May 16	443	176	6465	5657	June 5	May 22	June 14	94
Printing revised edition of the annotated U. S. Constitution, as published in 1938, as S. Doc. 251, 74th Cong.	S. J. Res. 69	Feb. 19	Adm	Adm	June 12	Feb. 28	577	41	6897	1610	June 12	Mar. 3	June 17	95
Amending the Pay Readjustment Act of 1942, so as to increase the pay of cadets and midshipmen at the service academies.	S. 321	Jan. 22	AS*	AS*	Mar. 6	Feb. 19	93	32	7099	1609	June 16	Mar. 3	June 20	96
Making criminally liable prisoner custodians wherein escapes are the result of their negligence.	S. 26	Jan. 6	Jud	Jud	Mar. 20	Jan. 15	174	3	7075	599	June 16	Jan. 27	June 21	97
To extend to Senate Reporters of Debates the benefits of Civil Service Retirement Act.	S. 125	Jan. 10	POCS	POCS	May 26	May 5	456	152	7032	4568	June 16	May 6	June 21	98
To grant American Legion Post, No. 38, in Belzoni, Miss., rever- sionary interest in certain lands.	H. R. 1412	Jan. 27	PW*	PW*	Apr. 22	May 28	291	209	5044	7009	May 12	June 16	June 21	99
To amend Federal-Aid Highway Act of 1944 to make funds avail- able for 2-year periods.	H. R. 1874	Feb. 12	PW*	PW*	Apr. 24	May 26	302	200	5048	7008	May 12	June 16	June 21	100
Labor-management relations bill. (Passed over President's veto June 23, 1947.)	H. R. 3020	Apr. 10	EdL*	EdL*	Apr. 12	Apr. 17	245	105	3671	5117	Apr. 17	May 13	June 23	101
To provide for emergency flood-control work made necessary by recent floods.	H. R. 3792	June 11	PW	PW	June 12	June 17	563	290	6889	7188	June 12	June 18	June 23	102
To remove census requirement that churches disclose number of membership if against church doctrine.	S. 614	Feb. 17	POCS	POCS	May 22	Apr. 21	421	106	7082	4559	June 16	May 6	June 25	103
To regulate the marketing of economic poisons and devices.	S. (H. R. 1045)	Jan. 23	Ag*	Ag*	Apr. 25	May 26	313	199	5054	7008	May 12	June 16	June 25	104
To convey lands to Shiloh National Military Park, Tenn.	H. R. 1237	Feb. 24	PL	PL	May 13	June 10	374	231	6186	7014	June 2	June 16	June 25	105
Authorizing patenting of land in Montana.	H. R. 2207	Mar. 4	PL	PL	Apr. 25	May 26	310	202	5045	7008	May 12	June 16	June 25	106
Authorizing patenting of land in Montana.	H. R. 2353	Mar. 28	PL	PL	Apr. 25	May 26	469	252	6193	7015	June 2	June 16	June 25	107
To add lands to Otter Creek Recreational Demonstration Area, Ky.	H. R. 3151	Apr. 22	PL	PL	May 20	June 10	401	254	6190	7015	June 2	June 16	June 25	108
To grant water right to Las Vegas, Nev.	H. R. 3197	Apr. 24	PL	PL	May 20	June 10	402	255	6190	7015	June 2	June 16	June 25	109
Relative to construction of Mancos water project.	S. 597	Feb. 14	Ag*	Ag*	June 5	May 8	538	139	7086	5661	June 16	May 22	June 25	110
To provide for protection of forests against insects.	S. (H. R. 1974)	May 2	Adm	Adm	May 14	June 3	381	.....	5279	7012	May 14	June 16	June 25	111
Authorizing memorial in District of Columbia to First Infantry Division.	H. J. Res. 188	May 28	WM	WM	June 4	June 13	514	276	6460	7019	June 5	June 16	June 25	112
To extend the time for release of powers of appointment free of estate and gift taxes.	H. R. 468	Jan. 6	WM	WM	May 26	June 13	454	274	6206	7019	June 2	June 16	June 25	113
Provide, in defining "dividends," for net operating loss credit in connection with distributions by personal holding companies.	H. R. 1624	Feb. 3	DC	DC	Apr. 22	June 3	292	221	4167	7011	Apr. 28	June 16	June 25	114
To authorize allotment to 3 District of Columbia police inspec- tors for use of privately owned cars.	H. R. 2368	Mar. 4	VA*	VA*	Mar. 27	June 12	188	269	5028	7018	May 12	June 16	June 25	115
To increase from 1½ million to 3 million dollars the amount au- thorized as a revolving fund for loans to veterans for vocational rehabilitation courses.	H. R. 2372	Mar. 31	WM	WM	May 22	June 13	423	275	6206	7019	June 2	June 16	June 25	116
To amend the Public Debt Act of 1941 relative to tax exemption on interest from United States obligations.	H. R. 3143	Apr. 22	PL	PL	May 13	June 10	371	253	6185	7015	June 2	June 16	June 25	117
To construct Paoila Federal reclamation project, Colorado.	H. R. 310	Jan. 3	PW*	PW*	May 14	May 22	378	197	6194	7007	June 2	June 16	June 25	118
To permit delivery of water from District of Columbia system to metropolitan area.	S. (S. 482)	Jan. 27	MMF	MMF	Mar. 17	June 13	157	273	2541	7018	Mar. 25	June 16	June 25	119
Admitting the American-owned ferry <i>Gasline</i> to American registry.	S. J. Res. 125	June 10	BC	BC	June 9	May 21	551	195	7093	5659	May 22	June 16	June 25	120
To extend provisions of the National Housing Act to Jan. 31, 1948.	S. 3398	May 5	PL	PL	May 20	June 10	404	256	5665	7015	May 22	June 16	June 25	121
Relative to construction of Conchella division of All-American Canal irrigation project.	H. R. 3348	May 6	PL	PL	June 11	June 20	557	319	6903	7544	June 12	June 23	June 27	122
To continue District of Columbia day-care centers to June 30, 1948.	S. (S. 1315)	Mar. 3	DC	DC	June 11	June 16	627	289	7572	7545	June 16	June 23	June 27	123
Authorizing certain agreements with respect to helium-bearing gas lands.	S. (S. 1315)	Mar. 7	PL	PL	June 10	June 17	553	289	7093	7545	June 16	June 23	June 27	124
To provide for the maintenance of a domestic tin-smelting industry.	S. J. Res. 125	June 10	BC	BC	June 25	June 12	705	263	7758	7016	June 26	June 16	June 28	125
To extend the period of admission of alien fiancés or fiancées.	H. R. 3398	May 9	Jud	Jud	May 28	June 24	479	354	7081	7688	June 26	June 16	June 28	126
Continuing the authority of the Maritime Commission over tank- ers until Mar. 1, 1948.	H. R. 3911	June 19	MMF	MMF	June 25	.....	723	.....	7641	7721	June 25	June 26	June 28	127
Stimulate enlistments into the Regular Military Establishment.	H. R. 3503	May 2	AS	AS	June 11	June 12	558	262	7094	7198	June 16	June 18	June 28	128
To provide for the continuation of rent control.	H. R. 3203	Apr. 24	BC*	BC*	Apr. 26	Apr. 3	317	86	4417	6144	May 1	June 2	June 30	129

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To extend the Commodity Credit Corporation to June 30, 1948.	S. 350	Jan. 24	BC	App ^o	June 26	Mar. 19	719	38	7839	3215	June 27	Apr. 8	June 30	130
To extend until July 1, 1949, the period during which income from agricultural labor and nursing service may be disregarded in making old-age assistance payments.	S. 1072	Apr. 9	WM	Fin	June 26	Apr. 11	713	100	7819	3710	June 27	Apr. 21	June 30	131
To extend the RFC until June 30, 1948.	S. J. Res. 135	June 20	BC ^o	BC	June 21	June 20	626	321	7633	7551	June 24	June 23	June 30	132
To authorize certificates of separation to uncompensated personnel of Selective Service System.	H. J. Res. 167	Apr. 14	AS ^o	AS	May 19	June 19	394	308	6195	7548	June 2	June 23	June 30	133
To count temporary appointments in Navy or Marine Corps for promotion.	H. R. 1362	Jan. 27	AS	AS	Apr. 3	June 19	236	306	9028	7549	May 12	June 23	June 30	134
Land easement to naval depot at McAlester, Okla.	H. R. 1807	Feb. 10	AS ^o	AS	Mar. 27	June 19	197	303	3262	7550	Apr. 9	June 23	June 30	135
To repeal law providing additional compensation for Army mail clerks.	H. R. 2339	Mar. 3	AS ^o	AS	Apr. 1	June 19	211	302	3264	7550	Apr. 9	June 23	June 30	136
Authorizing of certain land in Clallam County, Wash., for hospital purposes.	H. R. 2411	Mar. 6	PL	PL	May 27	June 16	467	284	6195	7545	June 2	June 23	June 30	137
To provide funds for construction of school building in Moelips, Wash.	H. R. 2545	Mar. 13	PL	PL	May 13	May 26	375	203	6186	7008	June 2	June 16	June 30	138
To authorize the Secretary of the Treasury to grant an easement to Baltimore, Md.	H. R. 2654	Mar. 20	MMF	IFC	Apr. 23	June 16	296	286	5056	7545	May 12	June 23	June 30	139
To grant an easement to Baltimore, Md., for two subterranean water mains.	H. R. 2655	Mar. 20	PL	PL	May 13	June 16	376	285	6186	7545	June 2	June 23	June 30	140
Authorizing attendance of Marine Band at GAR National Encampment.	H. R. 3124	Apr. 21	AS	AS	May 12	June 20	347	330	6187	7552	June 2	June 23	June 30	141
To suspend annual assessment work on mining claims in Alaska.	H. R. 2369	Mar. 4	PL	PL	Mar. 17	June 10	161	259	3256	7015	Apr. 9	June 16	June 30	142
To amend the Bankruptcy Act with respect to part-time referees.	H. R. 3769	June 9	Jud	Jud	June 12	June 19	485	285	7095	7546	June 16	June 23	June 30	143
To provide for permanent rates on first-class mail.	H. J. Res. 221	June 20	POCS	CS	June 20	June 27	621	397	7578	7880	June 23	June 30	June 30	144
Extends title III of the Second War Powers Act and the Export Control Act to July 15, 1947.	S. J. Res. 139	June 27	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	7505	7804	June 30	June 27	June 30	145
Providing for United States participation in the International Refugee Organization.	S. J. Res. 77	Feb. 24	FA	FR ^o	May 26	Mar. 12	464	51	7754	2521	June 26	Mar. 25	July 1	146
Treasury-Post Office appropriations.	H. R. 2436	Mar. 7	App ^o	App ^o	Mar. 7	May 26	103	201	1929	6149	Mar. 11	June 2	July 1	147
To preserve historic graveyards in abandoned military posts.	H. R. 577	Jan. 7	PL	PL	Mar. 12	June 10	367	283	6184	7545	June 2	June 23	July 1	148
To amend the act governing the operation of naval plantations.	H. R. 1358	Jan. 27	AS ^o	AS ^o	Mar. 12	June 10	142	282	3253	7552	Apr. 9	June 23	July 1	149
To authorize the appointment of supply officers in the Marine Corps.	H. R. 1371	Jan. 27	AS	AS	Apr. 3	June 19	237	304	8028	7548	May 12	June 23	July 1	150
Relating to transportation of dependents and household effects of servicemen.	H. R. 1376	Jan. 27	AS ^o	AS	Feb. 18	June 19	46	307	1627	7548	Mar. 3	June 23	July 1	151
To give certain land rights to Illinois.	H. R. 1628	Feb. 3	PW	PL	May 13	June 10	363	250	6187	7014	June 2	June 23	July 1	152
Relating to military leave of Federal and District of Columbia employees.	H. R. 1845	Feb. 10	AS ^o	AS	May 28	June 20	483	327	7082	7552	June 16	June 23	July 1	153
To provide seniority benefits for certain District of Columbia police officers.	H. R. 1997	Feb. 17	DC	DC	Apr. 9	June 3	240	222	3358	7012	Apr. 14	June 16	July 1	154
To correct an error relating to naturalization court fees.	H. R. 2237	Feb. 26	Jud	Jud	Apr. 17	May 27	272	207	5044	7009	May 12	June 16	July 1	155
To permit the erection of a building for the American Red Cross in the District of Columbia.	H. J. Res. 193	May 9	PW ^o	FR	May 14	June 26	379	355	7085	7685	June 16	June 26	July 1	156
Authorizing memorial in District of Columbia to Marine Corps dead.	S. J. Res. 113	May 9	Adm	Rules	June 23	June 3	638	.....	7565	7012	June 23	June 16	July 1	157
To provide a clothing allowance for Marine Corps enlisted men.	H. R. 1375	Jan. 27	AS ^o	AS	Mar. 31	June 20	203	324	3264	7552	Apr. 9	June 23	July 1	158
To authorize certain expenses for Army and Navy participation in Olympic games.	H. R. 2276	Feb. 27	AS	AS	May 12	June 20	346	328	6186	7552	June 2	June 23	July 1	159
To authorize transfer of certain surplus property to Panama Canal.	H. R. 3629	May 27	AS	AS	May 28	June 20	480	329	6196	7552	June 2	June 23	July 1	160

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Providing temporary extension of appropriations beyond June 30, until annual supply bills are enacted.	H. R. 4031	June 30	App ^o	App ^o	June 30	July 1	744		7927	7984	June 30	July 1	July 3	161
Establishment of a Commission on Organization of the Executive Branch of the Government.	H. R. 775	Jan. 10	Expend ^o	Expend ^o	June 25	June 24	704	344	7757	7804	June 26	June 27	July 7	162
District of Columbia teachers' pay bill.	H. R. 3611	May 26	DC ^o	DC ^o	May 27	June 2	473	216	6119	7357	May 29	June 20	July 7	163
To use certain funds in the liquidation of UNRRA.	S. J. Res. 124	June 10	FA	FR	June 30	June 12	753	266	7942	7017	June 30	June 16	July 8	164
Labor-Federal Security appropriations bill.	H. R. 2700	May 21	App ^o	App ^o	Apr. 28	June 24	178	146	2583	4534	Mar. 25	May 5	July 8	165
State-Justice-Commerce appropriations bill.	H. R. 3311	May 5	MMF	IFC	May 5	June 24	336	343	5386	7982	May 15	July 1	July 8	166
Authorizing transfer of the ship <i>Joseph Conrad</i> to the Marine Historical Association.	H. R. 3333	May 6	POCS	CS	June 3	June 30	505	399	7088	8103	June 16	July 2	July 9	167
To provide annuities for FBI agents after 20 years of service.	S. J. Res. 715	Feb. 26	PW	PW	May 29	Mar. 26	493	76	7906	3145	June 30	Apr. 8	July 11	168
To study plans and costs for an additional office building for the Senate.	H. R. 723	Feb. 26	PW	PW	June 24	Mar. 31	685	82	8344	3145	July 7	Apr. 7	July 11	169
To authorize the Capitol Police Board to regulate traffic in the Capitol Grounds.	S. 1316	May 19	Expend ^o	Expend ^o	June 19	June 5	614	241	8336	7014	July 7	May 6	July 11	170
To establish procedure on payment of certain Government checks.	H. R. 3461	Jan. 3	AG ^o	AG ^o	May 14	June 26	384	364	6190	8224	June 2	July 3	July 11	171
To authorize sale of certain lands in Alaska.	H. R. 195	Jan. 3	Jud	Jud	May 20	June 27	407	394	6190	8224	June 2	July 3	July 11	172
To transfer Blair County, Pa., from the middle to the western judicial district.	H. R. 3325	Jan. 3	Jud	Jud	May 20	June 27	407	394	6190	8224	June 2	July 3	July 11	173
To authorize, Cairo, Ill., Bridge Commission to issue refunding bonds.	H. R. 1610	Feb. 3	PW	PW	May 13	June 26	362	365	7075	8224	June 16	July 3	July 11	174
To authorize establishment of Metropolitan police band.	H. R. 2470	Mar. 10	DC	DC	May 23	June 26	447	382	6107	8247	May 29	July 3	July 11	175
To authorize preparation of plans for addition or extension to House Office Building.	H. R. 3072	Apr. 16	PW ^o	PW ^o	May 28	June 26	431	366	7081	8224	June 16	July 3	July 11	176
Authorizing payments to attorneys and architects in condemnation proceedings.	H. R. 3335	Apr. 28	DC	DC	May 20	June 26	403	375	6108	8225	May 29	July 3	July 11	177
Relating to retirement of certain naval officers.	H. R. 3331	Apr. 29	AS	AS	May 23	June 26	477	356	7080	8222	June 16	July 3	July 11	178
District of Columbia athletic bribery bill.	H. R. 3315	May 19	DC	DC	May 23	June 26	455	383	6109	8225	May 29	July 3	July 11	179
To authorize funds for District of Columbia ceremonies.	H. R. 3547	Feb. 21	DC	DC	May 27	June 26	472	383	6109	8247	May 29	July 3	July 11	180
To reimburse certain Navy personnel for money stolen or obtained from them while on duty at Farragut, Idaho.	S. 665	Feb. 21	Jud	Jud	June 5	Apr. 22	537	125	8332	4562	July 7	May 6	July 11	181
Authorizing appropriation for public high-school facilities at Owyhee, Nev.	S. 686	Feb. 24	PL	PL	June 24	June 9	678	245	8346	7014	July 7	June 16	July 11	182
Relative to navigable waters in Maine.	H. R. 2996	Jan. 7	IFC ^o	IFC ^o	June 6	June 30	541	398	7090	8250	June 16	July 3	July 11	183
Consenting to an interstate compact to conserve oil and gas.	S. J. Res. 122	Jan. 7	IFC ^o	IFC ^o	June 19	June 12	612	265	8335	7016	July 7	June 16	July 11	184
Relative to draw-back allowances on distilled spirits or wines manufactured for export.	H. R. 3599	Jan. 7	WM	WM	May 22	June 30	422	401	6889	8250	June 12	July 3	July 14	185
Amending Internal Revenue Code relative to wine production.	H. R. 1945	Feb. 13	WM	WM	May 26	June 30	457	402	7083	8250	June 16	July 3	July 14	186
Amending Internal Revenue Code relative to tax of 30 cents a gallon on brandy.	H. R. 1946	Feb. 13	WM	WM	May 26	June 30	458	403	7084	8251	June 16	July 3	July 14	187
Extension of the Second War Powers and Export Control Acts.	H. R. 3647	May 28	Jud	Jud	June 24	June 23	688	340	7740	8203	June 26	July 3	July 15	188
To allow newly chartered railroads, formerly in bankruptcy, benefit of predecessor's tax carry-over.	S. 1420	June 11	WM ^o	WM ^o	June 20	July 1	624	406	7571	8251	June 23	July 3	July 15	189
To authorize Hawaii to issue certain public-improvement bonds.	H. R. 3361	June 16	PL	PL	June 24	June 26	682	388	8363	8247	July 7	June 23	July 15	190
To provide for the appointment of 1 additional Assistant Secretary of Commerce.	S. 1421	June 11	IFC	IFC	June 24	June 13	642	272	8338	7559	July 7	June 23	July 15	191
To authorize the Secretary of Commerce to sell certain Weather Bureau property in Michigan.	H. R. 3855	Feb. 19	IFC	IFC	May 26	Apr. 24	460	137	6195	4569	June 2	May 6	July 16	192
To amend the Communications Act with respect to Government rates.	S. 816	Mar. 7	IFC	IFC	June 26	June 13	715	282	8352	7021	July 7	June 16	July 16	193
To erect in the District of Columbia a statue to Andrew Mellon.	H. J. Res. 170	Apr. 15	Adm	Adm	May 14	June 13	383	.....	5279	8249	May 14	June 3	July 16	194
District of Columbia tax bill.	H. R. 3717	June 5	DC ^o	DC ^o	June 6	June 13	543	280	6674	7361	June 9	June 20	July 16	195
Authorizing temporary appropriations.	H. J. Res. 240	July 15	App ^o	App ^o	July 15	July 9	917	.....	8941	9011	July 15	July 10	July 17	196
Legislative appropriation bill.	H. R. 3993	June 26	App ^o	App ^o	June 26	July 9	717	467	7835	8604	June 27	July 10	July 17	197
To reorganize District of Columbia parole system.	H. R. 494	June 26	DC	DC	June 26	June 23	451	375	8605	8225	May 29	July 3	July 17	198
Presidential succession bill.	S. 504	Feb. 11	Jud	Jud	July 9	Mar. 28	817	80	8633	7786	July 10	June 27	July 18	199

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To enable Hawaiian Legislature to authorize Honolulu to issue sewer bonds.	S. 1419 (H. R. 3679)	June 11	PL	PL	June 24	June 26	684	387	8708	8247	July 11	July 3	200
To authorize official reporters of District of Columbia municipal court to collect transcript fees.	S. 1462	June 17	DC	DC	July 11	June 26	894	381	8935	8246	July 15	July 3	201
Navy Department appropriation bill.	H. R. 3493	May 16	App*	App*	June 23	June 23	390	338	5557	7585	June 20	June 24	202
To provide for commemoration of 150th anniversary of establishment of Federal Government in District of Columbia.	S. J. Res. 129	June 17	Adm	Adm	July 11	June 26	874	384	8707	8247	July 11	July 3	203
Authorizing the President to approve trusteeship agreements for various Pacific Islands.	H. J. Res. 233 (S. J. Res. 143)	July 8	FA	FR	July 11	July 10	889	471	8733	8850	July 11	July 14	204
To credit active service in the armed forces for purposes of District of Columbia police and firemen's relief fund.	S. 924	Mar. 18	DC	DC	July 11	June 3	892	217	8933	7010	July 15	June 16	205
To authorize the Geological Survey Director to sell aerial photographs.	H. R. 2373	Mar. 17	PL	PL	Apr. 25	July 7	312	438	5045	9029	May 12	July 16	206
Easement in lands in Bibb County, Ga.	H. R. 3056	Apr. 15	AS*	AS*	May 27	July 8	476	459	7080	9032	June 16	July 16	207
Land easement in Long Beach, Calif.	H. R. 3252	Apr. 29	AS*	AS*	May 27	July 8	474	460	7079	9032	June 16	July 16	208
To authorize construction of chapel at Coast Guard Academy.	H. R. 3339	May 20	MMF	MMF	June 13	July 12	387	511	8334	9042	July 7	July 16	209
Provide basic authority for use of Coast and Geodetic Survey appropriations.	H. R. 3247	Apr. 29	MMF	MMF	June 30	June 14	749	514	8362	9043	July 7	July 16	210
To provide compensation for persons performing duties of postmasters.	H. R. 1203	Jan. 21	POCS	CS	Apr. 25	July 15	316	555	5055	9127	May 12	July 17	211
Easement of lands in Hawaii.	H. R. 3053	Apr. 15	AS*	AS*	May 27	July 8	475	458	7079	9032	June 16	July 16	212
Relating to the admission of alien spouses and minor children of citizen members of armed forces.	H. R. 3149	Apr. 22	AS*	AS*	May 28	July 11	478	501	7080	9040	June 16	July 16	213
To create an academic advisory board for Merchant Marine Academy.	H. R. 3672	May 29	MMF	MMF	June 24	July 14	646	516	8352	9124	July 7	July 17	214
Licensing of District of Columbia buildings used for living quarters.	H. R. 1448	Jan. 29	DC	DC	Apr. 11	July 9	247	466	3355	9035	Apr. 14	July 16	215
To incorporate AMVETS.	H. R. 1888	Feb. 12	Jud	Jud	Mar. 27	July 7	189	439	3259	9037	Apr. 9	July 16	216
To include within AMVETS.	H. R. 2167	Feb. 24	PL	PL	June 3	July 7	503	448	7086	9031	June 16	July 16	217
Train lands owned by the United States.	H. R. 2746	Mar. 24	Jud	Jud	May 9	July 14	340	521	7095	9124	June 16	July 17	218
To provide secretaries for circuit and district judges.	H. R. 3494	May 15	MMF*	MMF*	June 20	July 14	622	515	8344	9124	July 7	July 17	219
To establish permanent commissioned Coast Guard personnel strength.	H. R. 3958	June 24	Jud	Jud	July 1	July 11	757	502	8362	9041	July 7	July 16	220
To extend time for filing applications for patents and taking action in Patent Office with respect thereto.	H. R. 205	Jan. 3	PL	PL	June 24	July 14	670	532	8345	9125	July 7	July 17	221
Granting citizenship to Natives of Alaska.	H. R. 1609	Feb. 3	PL	PL	June 24	July 14	674	532	8346	9126	July 7	July 17	222
To provide zoning on public lands in Alaska.	H. R. 1882	Feb. 12	PL	PL	May 13	July 14	373	536	6186	9126	June 2	July 17	223
To provide funds for Indian school at Walker, Minn.	H. R. 3343	May 6	PL	PL	June 24	July 14	681	553	8349	9127	July 7	July 17	224
To authorize compensation to Alaska Game Commission for investigations.	H. R. 3313	May 19	POCS	CS	June 18	July 7	599	450	8334	9031	July 7	July 16	225
Transferring the Panama Railroad pension fund to Civil Service retirement fund.	(S. 1496)	Jan. 27	WM	WM	June 1	July 11	759	479	8258	9038	July 3	July 16	226
Amending Federal unemployment tax, permitting certain voluntary contributions to be used in computation of reduced rates.	H. R. 4011	June 27	PL	PL	June 24	July 14	671	533	8345	9125	July 7	July 17	227
To declare Quinault Tribe of Indians the proper party plaintiff to certain lands.	H. R. 734	Jan. 9	PL	PL	June 24	July 14	672	534	8346	9125	July 7	July 17	228
To pay \$50 per capita payment to the Red Lake Band of Chippewas.	H. R. 1337	Jan. 27	PL	PL	June 24	July 14	673	531	8346	9126	July 7	July 17	229
To facilitate work of Alaska Road Commission in rights-of-way.	H. R. 1354	Jan. 30	PL	PL	June 24	July 14	674	532	8347	9127	July 7	July 17	230
Ownership and sale of timber on northern Cheyenne Indian Reservation.	H. R. 2097	Feb. 20	PL	PL	Mar. 13	July 14	364	537	6183	9126	June 2	July 17	231
To provide school facilities in 3 counties of Minnesota.	H. R. 2825	Mar. 27	PL	PL	June 30	July 14	738	540	8353	9126	July 7	July 17	232
Giving consent to fisheries compact on Pacific coast.	H. R. 3598	Mar. 27	MMF	MMF	June 30	July 14	732	513	8360	9043	July 7	July 16	233
To make surplus property available for alleviation of flood damage.	S. 1515	June 26	Expend	Expend	July 16	July 3	959	435	9353	9301	July 21	July 7	234

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To include air transportation for Federal employees residing in Alaska.	H. R. 187	Jan. 3	PL	PL	June 24	July 15	669	550	8345	9127	July 7	July 17	234
To transfer land in Texas.	H. R. 2225	Feb. 26	Expend*	AS*	June 25	July 8	696	456	8353	9132	July 7	July 17	235
Relating to lump-sum payments to survivors.	H. R. 2314	Feb. 28	AS*	AS*	May 28	July 18	805	457	7081	9032	June 16	July 16	236
District of Columbia appropriations bill.	H. R. 4106	June 26	Jud	Jud	July 1	July 1	805	457	8349	9284	July 9	July 18	237
To extend to June 30, 1948, intent of Congress that insurance regulations be left to States.	S. 1508	June 26	Jud	Jud	July 1	July 1	805	457	8349	9284	July 9	July 18	238
To terminate certain emergency and war powers.	S. J. Res. 123	June 5	Jud	Jud	June 7	June 23	799	339	9199	7585	July 17	June 24	239
Relative to payments for logging of timber for Menominee Indians.	H. R. 2484	Mar. 10	PL	PL	June 24	July 14	677	539	8348	9126	July 7	July 17	240
To extend benefits of Missing Persons Act to Filipinos.	H. R. 3191	Apr. 24	AS*	AS*	June 3	July 16	509	570	7095	9037	June 16	July 23	241
To provide a central authority for standardizing geographic names.	S. 1262	May 9	PL	PL	May 13	May 26	366	205	9555	7008	July 21	June 16	242
To provide periodical census of oils and fats.	(H. R. 1555)	June 24	POCS	CS	July 14	July 11	908	481	9576	9133	July 21	July 17	243
To give Governor of Alaska power to pardon and remit fines and forfeitures.	H. R. 4109	Jan. 3	PL	PL	June 24	July 15	668	549	8345	9127	July 7	July 17	244
Amending Natural Gas Act of 1938, relating to eminent domain.	H. R. 2956	Apr. 3	IFC*	IFC*	June 25	July 3	693	429	8351	9134	July 7	July 17	245
Relative to determination of bonus value of oil, gas, and mining leases on Osage Mineral Reservation.	H. R. 3323	May 5	PL	PL	June 30	July 14	737	544	8353	9126	July 7	July 17	246
Interior Department appropriations.	H. R. 3123	Apr. 21	App*	App*	Apr. 21	June 13	279	278	4112	7041	Apr. 25	June 16	247
To provide relief for Army-Navy disbursing officers.	S. 333	Jan. 22	Jud	Jud	July 2	July 15	775	557	9567	9127	July 21	July 17	248
To extend the Farm Tenant Act to the Virgin Islands.	(H. R. 1466)	Feb. 5	App*	App*	July 11	May 8	878	158	9581	5654	July 21	June 22	249
To defer collection of irrigation construction charges on Flathead Indian project.	S. 753	Mar. 3	PL	PL	July 10	May 27	868	206	9572	7009	July 21	June 16	250
Authorizing appointment of Robert V. Fleming to Board of Regents of Smithsonian Institution.	H. J. Res. 250	July 21	PL	PL	July 11	July 15	881	548	9574	9126	July 21	July 17	251
To amend District of Columbia Unemployment Compensation Act relative to contribution rates after military service.	H. R. 3864	June 16	DC	DC	June 21	July 12	632	508	7575	9041	June 23	July 16	252
To create a National Military Establishment.	(H. R. 4214)	Mar. 3	Expend*	AS*	July 16	June 5	961	239	9457	8527	July 19	July 9	253
Permitting cashing of terminal leave bonds after Sept. 1, 1947.	H. R. 4017	June 30	AS*	AS*	July 2	July 16	794	566	8353	9377	July 7	July 19	254
Salmon convention between United States and Canada.	H. R. 3767	June 18	MMF	MMF	June 27	July 23	921	729	8360	9284	July 18	July 29	255
Supplement Government corporations appropriation.	H. R. 4268	July 18	App*	App*	July 17	July 23	921	729	8360	9284	July 18	July 29	256
Creating a game refuge in South Carolina.	S. 616	Feb. 17	MMF	MMF	July 17	June 16	986	287	9594	7544	July 21	June 23	257
Regulating interstate transportation of black bass.	S. 1180	Apr. 29	POCS	CS	July 17	June 26	985	567	9584	8224	July 21	July 3	258
Authorizing issuance of Gold Star commemorative stamps.	S. 1220	May 2	PL	PL	July 11	July 15	881	548	9574	9126	July 21	July 17	259
Transferring of Maine park land from Interior to Navy.	(H. R. 3371)	Mar. 26	PL	PL	July 10	July 7	857	447	9569	9030	July 21	July 16	260
Adding land to Silver Creek recreational demonstration area.	(H. R. 3684)	June 27	BC	BC	June 30	June 27	745	393	9732	8249	July 22	July 3	261
Removing restriction on Federal Reserve branch bank constructions when costs do not exceed \$10,000,000.	(H. R. 3952)	Feb. 17	POCS	CS	June 19	July 21	615	633	8355	9829	July 7	July 23	262
Permitting return of civil-service retirement deductions of employees separated before completing 10 years service.	H. R. 2938	Apr. 2	PL	PL	May 13	July 15	370	554	8331	9127	July 7	July 17	263
Fixing prices of record copies furnished by Interior Department.	H. R. 3075	Apr. 16	POCS	CS	July 2	July 11	450	474	8331	9127	July 7	July 17	264
Authorizing compensatory time for supervisory postal employees.	H. R. 3601	May 23	App*	App*	May 19	July 9	495	465	6031	8849	May 28	July 14	265
Agriculture Department appropriation.	H. R. 3678	May 19	App*	App*	June 9	July 14	544	517	6847	9026	June 11	July 15	266
War Department appropriation.	H. R. 3756	June 9	App*	App*	June 13	July 11	589	475	7252	8905	June 18	July 19	267
Government corporations appropriation.	H. R. 3839	June 13	App*	App*	June 25	July 11	680	478	7509	9390	June 30	July 19	268
Independent offices appropriation.	H. R. 3961	June 24	VA	VA	June 25	July 11	680	478	7509	9390	June 30	July 19	269
Increasing pensions for Spanish-American and Civil War veterans.	H. R. 4269	July 18	App*	App*	July 14	July 23	910	281	9847	7021	July 23	June 16	270
Supplemental appropriation.	(H. R. 483)	Feb. 3	PL	PL	July 10	July 15	855	547	9870	9126	July 23	July 17	271
Relocate Gila reclamation project boundaries.	(H. R. 1597)	May 29	PL	PL	July 10	July 15	855	547	9870	9126	July 23	July 17	272
Increasing amount of public lands to be sold.	(H. R. 3971)	June 17	Jud	Jud	July 10	July 15	855	547	9870	9126	July 23	July 17	273
Giving immigration officers lists of aliens arriving and departing United States.	(H. R. 1463)	July 15	AS*	AS*	July 22	July 19	1031	627	10211	9821	July 25	July 23	274
Authorizing attendance of Marine Band at American Legion and VFW conventions.	(H. R. 4247)	Jan. 3	PL	PL	Mar. 6	July 21	98	648	2144	9833	Mar. 17	July 23	275
Transfer land to Petersburg, Alaska.	H. R. 1238	Jan. 23	MMF	MMF	July 16	July 23	946	699	9388	9924	July 21	July 24	276
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Codify title 4 U. S. Code (dog and seal).....	H. R. 1566	Jan. 30	Jud	Jud	Apr. 14	July 21	252	659	5032	9834	May 12	July 23	July 30	279
Codify title 6 U. S. Code (official and penal bonds).....	H. R. 1567	Jan. 30	Jud	Jud	Apr. 14	July 21	253	660	5034	9834	May 12	July 23	July 30	280
Codify title 17 U. S. Code (copyrights).....	H. R. 2083	Feb. 19	Jud	Jud	Apr. 14	July 21	254	663	5036	9836	May 12	July 23	July 30	281
Codify title 9 U. S. Code (arbitration).....	H. R. 2084	Feb. 19	Jud	Jud	Apr. 14	July 21	255	664	5042	9836	May 12	July 23	July 30	282
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Construction of dam on Susequanna River.....	H. R. 3354	May 5	PW	PW	June 16	July 22	590	681	9950	9838	July 21	July 23	July 30	285
Extending time for issuance of Hawaiian public improvement bonds.....	H. R. 3376	May 8	PL	PL	July 24	July 21	683	649	8351	9833	July 7	July 23	July 30	286
Establishing National Aviation Council.....	H. R. 3587	May 22	IFC*	IFC*	May 23	July 16	449		6192	9040	June 2	July 16	July 30	287
Authorizing acquisition of West Virginia site by Veterans' Administration.....	H. R. 1453	June 5	VA	VA	July 16	July 18	960	583	9219	9815	July 17	July 23	July 30	288
Expediting disposition of surplus airports.....	S. 364	Jan. 27	Expnd	Expnd	July 16	June 26	938	359	9392	8222	July 21	July 3	July 30	289
Relating to entry of nursery stock.....	S. 338	Jan. 24	PL	PL	July 15	Apr. 16	921	102	9381	3711	July 21	June 16	July 31	290
Authorizing disposition of materials on public lands.....	S. 1185	Apr. 29	PW	PW	July 10	May 26	867	204	9571	7009	July 21	June 16	July 31	291
Granting consent to New England water-pollution compact.....	S. 1418	June 11	PW	PW	July 24	July 22	1082	680	10216	9838	July 25	July 23	July 31	292
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War Department civil functions appropriation.....	H. R. 4002	June 27	App*	App*	July 23	July 23	723	710	8173	9981	July 2	July 24	July 31	296
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Authorizing Naval Postgraduate School at Monterey, Calif.....	H. R. 4229	May 28	BC*	BC*	May 21	June 20	1019	336	9760	7553	July 23	June 24	July 31	301
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Amending AAA relative to marketing agreements.....	H. R. 3127	Apr. 21	AS	AS	June 27	July 18	727	607	8353	9826	July 7	July 23	July 31	304
Providing lapel buttons for next of kin of members of armed services who lost lives in World War II.....	H. R. 452	Jan. 6	AS*	AS*	June 13	July 24	588	717	9557	10298	July 21	July 26	Aug. 1	305
Licensing of District of Columbia insurance laws.....	H. R. 1544	Jan. 30	DC	DC	July 16	July 22	935	674	9584	10409	July 21	July 26	Aug. 1	306
Amending District of Columbia undertakers and embalmers.....	H. R. 1633	Feb. 3	DC	DC	May 23	June 26	446	368	6106	9933	May 29	July 24	Aug. 1	307
Extension of District of Columbia Rent Control Act to Mar. 31, 1948.....	H. R. 2173	Feb. 24	DC	DC	June 21	July 9	628		7574	9134	June 23	July 17	Aug. 1	308
Relief for prisoners of war captured by Japanese.....	H. R. 3444	May 13	WM	WM	June 19	July 17	617	575	7484	9811	June 20	July 23	Aug. 1	310
Permitting Federal home-loan banks to invest in 25-year mortgages.....	H. R. 3448	May 13	BC*	BC*	June 19	July 21	391	645	6194	9833	June 2	July 23	Aug. 1	311
Authorizing sale of Mission Point Lighthouse Reservation, Mich.....	H. R. 3619	May 26	MMF	MMF	July 11	July 23	879	703	9579	9925	July 21	July 24	Aug. 1	312
Creating additional professional positions in War and Navy Departments.....	H. R. 4084	July 3	POCS	POCS	July 16	July 23	953	708	9591	9925	July 21	July 24	Aug. 1	313
Relative to acceptance of medals and decorations.....	H. R. 4308	July 3	AS*	AS*	July 22	July 25	1037	766	9870	10306	July 23	July 26	Aug. 1	314
Tax-free importation of 15-inch newspaper.....	H. J. Res. 238	July 14	WM*	WM*	July 17	July 24	968	692	9395	10180	July 19	July 24	Aug. 1	315
Permitting retired armed service personnel to represent ex-service organization before Veterans' Administration.....	H. R. 3546	May 20	VA*	VA*	July 19	July 24	1010	712	9870	10180	July 23	July 25	Aug. 1	316
Extending period providing assistance to war-incurred school enrollment.....	H. R. 3682	June 2	EdL*	EdL*	June 20	July 25	625	769	9869	10310	July 23	July 26	Aug. 1	317

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Authorizing conversion of naval vessels.	(H. R. 3315)	May 2	AS	AS	May 2	1215	AS	May 21	Ag	July 9	Expnd	DC	July 23	June 18	Apr. 7	1046	604	10503	9819	July 26	July 23	Aug. 1	319
Amending Federal Crop Insurance Act.	(H. R. 1326)	May 21	Ag	Ag	May 21	1326	Ag	May 21	Ag	July 9	Expnd	DC	May 27	June 26	June 26	470	378	10229	8528	July 25	July 9	Aug. 1	320
Relief of accountable disbursing officers.	(H. R. 3465)	May 26	Expnd	Expnd	May 26	3465	Expnd	May 26	Expnd	July 9	Expnd	DC	July 23	June 26	June 26	1040	379	10213	8245	July 25	July 3	Aug. 1	321
Amend District of Columbia Rent Control Act to permit schools to recover housing accommodations.	S. 1350	July 9	DC	DC	July 9	1350	DC	July 9	DC	July 9	Expnd	DC	July 23	June 26	June 26	1040	677	10258	9838	July 25	July 23	Aug. 1	322
Amending AAA relative to peanut quotas.	H. R. 4124	July 9	Ag	Ag	July 9	4124	Ag	July 9	Ag	July 24	Ag	Ag	July 15	July 24	July 24	922	720	9578	10298	July 21	July 26	Aug. 1	323
Amending Federal Tort Claims Act.	H. R. 3690	June 2	Jud	Jud	June 2	3690	Jud	June 2	Jud	July 25	Jud	Jud	June 30	July 25	July 25	748	763	8356	10306	July 7	July 26	Aug. 1	324
Allowing veterans to appear before Civil Service Commission for employment adjustments.	(H. R. 1494)	June 23	POCS	POCS	June 23	1494	POCS	June 23	POCS	July 19	POCS	POCS	Apr. 25	July 19	July 19	315	651	10215	9827	July 25	July 23	Aug. 4	325
Sale of Paxon Field, Fla.	(H. R. 966)	July 8	Expnd	Expnd	July 8	966	Expnd	July 8	Expnd	July 17	Expnd	Expnd	July 23	July 17	July 17	1038	574	10212	9814	July 25	July 23	Aug. 4	326
Commission on Marine Memorial in Chicago.	(H. R. 3988)	May 9	Adm	Adm	May 9	3988	Adm	May 9	Adm	June 3	Adm	Adm	July 25	June 3	June 3	1090		10210	7012	July 25	June 16	Aug. 4	327
Coal-mine-safety code.	S. J. Res. 112	May 18	EdL*	EdL*	May 18	112	EdL*	May 18	EdL*	July 3	EdL*	EdL*	July 18	July 3	July 3	1004	431	10238	9028	July 25	July 16	Aug. 4	328
Study of tropical fish in Pacific.	(H. J. Res. 244)	Jan. 13	MMF	MMF	Jan. 13	859	MMF	Jan. 13	MMF	July 23	MMF	MMF	June 19	July 23	July 23	610	698	8341	9924	July 7	July 24	Aug. 4	329
Excluding Federal hospital employees from Classification Act.	H. R. 1714	Feb. 5	POCS	POCS	Feb. 5	1714	POCS	Feb. 5	POCS	July 23	POCS	POCS	May 23	July 23	July 23	445	707	6192	9937	June 2	July 24	Aug. 4	330
Extending time for construction of toll bridge across Rio Grande.	H. R. 2776	Mar. 25	FA	FA	Mar. 25	2776	FA	Mar. 25	FA	July 24	FA	FA	July 16	July 24	July 24	948	722	9588	10180	July 21	July 26	Aug. 4	331
Authorizing funds for Indian tuberculosis sanatorium.	H. R. 2793	Mar. 26	PL	PL	Mar. 26	2793	PL	Mar. 26	PL	July 24	PL	PL	July 11	July 24	July 24	882	755	9574	10304	July 15	July 26	Aug. 4	332
Relief of Treasury chief disbursing officer.	H. R. 2811	Mar. 26	Jud	Jud	Mar. 26	2811	Jud	Mar. 26	Jud	July 24	Jud	Jud	July 2	July 24	July 24	769	736	8915	10300	July 15	July 26	Aug. 4	333
Placing Recorder of Deeds under District of Columbia Commissioners.	H. R. 3045	Apr. 15	DC	DC	Apr. 15	3045	DC	Apr. 15	DC	July 22	DC	DC	July 11	July 22	July 22	897	688	8936	9910	July 15	July 24	Aug. 4	334
Issuing land patent to Laguna Band of Mission Indians.	H. R. 3064	Apr. 15	PL	PL	Apr. 15	3064	PL	Apr. 15	PL	July 24	PL	PL	June 10	July 24	July 24	869	750	8921	10302	July 15	July 26	Aug. 4	335
Clarifying law applicable to Oklahoma Indians.	H. R. 3173	Apr. 23	PL	PL	Apr. 23	3173	PL	Apr. 23	PL	July 14	PL	PL	June 30	July 14	July 14	740	543	8354	9126	July 7	July 17	Aug. 4	336
Revising Army and Navy medical departments.	H. R. 3215	Apr. 25	AS*	AS*	Apr. 25	3215	AS*	Apr. 25	AS*	July 9	AS	AS	May 14	July 9	July 9	387	464	6187	9800	June 2	July 26	Aug. 4	337
Increasing minimum allowances for service-connected cases.	H. R. 3308	May 2	VA	VA	May 2	3308	VA	May 2	VA		VA	VA	May 20			396		10494	10403	July 26	July 26	Aug. 4	338
Adding lands to Modoc National Forest, Calif.	H. R. 3395	May 9	PL	PL	May 9	3395	PL	May 9	PL	July 24	PL	PL	June 25	July 24	July 24	693	716	9349	10301	July 7	July 26	Aug. 4	339
Transferring Farm Island to South Dakota.	H. R. 3874	May 17	PL	PL	May 17	3874	PL	May 17	PL	July 24	PL	PL	July 16	July 24	July 24	937	744	9584	10301	July 21	July 26	Aug. 4	340
Authorizing Iowa flood-control works.	H. R. 4111	Jan. 17	PW	PW	Jan. 17	4111	PW	Jan. 17	PW	July 24	PW	PW	July 16	July 24	July 24	937	742	9767	10409	July 22	July 26	Aug. 4	341
Utilizing surplus War Department property as national cemeteries.	H. R. 272	June 20	PL	PL	June 20	272	PL	June 20	PL	July 23	PL	PL	July 15	July 23	July 23	915	667	10223	9836	July 25	July 23	Aug. 4	342
Authorizing land conveyance to Delaware.	H. R. 1480	June 20	DC	DC	June 20	1480	DC	June 20	DC	July 2	DC	DC	Apr. 10	May 2	May 2	243		3354	7559	Apr. 14	June 23	Aug. 4	343
Regulating carrying of firearms in District of Columbia.	H. R. 493	Jan. 6	DC	DC	Jan. 6	493	DC	Jan. 6	DC	July 25	DC	DC	Apr. 10	May 2	May 2	243		3354	7559	Apr. 14	June 23	Aug. 4	344
Amending Panama Canal Zone Act.	H. R. 1260	Jan. 23	MMF	MMF	Jan. 23	1260	MMF	Jan. 23	MMF	July 25	MMF	MMF	Mar. 20	July 25	July 25	398	757	8331	10304	Apr. 9	July 24	Aug. 4	345
Amending 1938 CAA Act relative to through rates.	H. R. 2109	Feb. 20	IFC	IFC	Feb. 20	2109	IFC	Feb. 20	IFC	July 12	IFC	IFC	Mar. 20	July 12	July 12	176	510	3259	9932	Apr. 9	July 24	Aug. 4	346
Establishing District of Columbia alcoholic clinic.	H. R. 2659	Mar. 20	DC*	DC*	Mar. 20	2659	DC*	Mar. 20	DC*	July 22	DC*	DC*	Apr. 10	July 22	July 22	244		3356	9908	Apr. 14	July 24	Aug. 4	347
Extending second-class mailing privilege to State conservation bulletins.	H. R. 2857	Mar. 31	POCS	POCS	Mar. 31	2857	POCS	Mar. 31	POCS	July 15	POCS	POCS	May 22	July 15	July 15	417	556	6191	9131	June 2	July 17	Aug. 4	348
Permitting veteran loans to Osage Indians.	H. R. 3325	May 5	PL	PL	May 5	3325	PL	May 5	PL	July 24	PL	PL	July 15	July 24	July 24	919	751	9578	10302	July 21	July 26	Aug. 4	349
Providing lump-sum payments in lieu of terminal leave.	H. R. 3301	May 19	AS	AS	May 19	3301	AS	May 19	AS	July 16	AS	AS	June 25	July 16	July 16	702	564	8366	9805	July 7	July 23	Aug. 4	350
Extending amortization period of District of Columbia teachers' retirement.	H. R. 3852	May 22	DC	DC	May 22	3852	DC	May 22	DC	July 22	DC	DC	July 11	July 22	July 22	898		8936	9838	July 15	July 23	Aug. 4	351
Authorizing conveyance of land in Pennsylvania.	H. R. 3862	June 16	PW	PW	June 16	3862	PW	June 16	PW	July 24	PW	PW	July 8	July 24	July 24	810	715	9568	10407	July 21	July 26	Aug. 4	352
Authorizing expenditures by St. Elizabeths Hospital.	H. R. 3970	June 17	EdL	EdL	June 17	3970	EdL	June 17	EdL	July 25	EdL	EdL	July 16	July 25	July 25	933	770	9583	10309	July 21	July 26	Aug. 4	353
International Organization Procurement Act.	H. R. 4010	June 27	FA	FA	June 27	4010	FA	June 27	FA	July 24	FA	FA	July 16	July 24	July 24	932		9591	10302	July 21	July 26	Aug. 4	354
Relating to Delaware River Joint Toll Bridge Commission.	(S. 1602)	July 10	PW	PW	July 10	1602	PW	July 10	PW	July 24	PW	PW	July 24	July 24	July 24	1066	741	10218	10301	July 25	July 26	Aug. 4	355
Extending time for filing claims for war loss credit.	(S. 1602)	July 17	WM	WM	July 17	1602	WM	July 17	WM	July 24	WM	WM	July 18	July 24	July 24	1003	714	9713	10179	July 22	July 25	Aug. 4	356
Authorizing President to approve UN site agreement.	S. J. Res. 144	July 26	FA	FA	July 26	144	FA	July 26	FA	July 14	FA	FA	July 25	July 14	July 14	1093	522	10521	9124	July 26	July 17	Aug. 4	357
Setting Jan. 6, 1948, as opening date of second regular session of Eightieth Congress.	S. J. Res. 156	July 26	FA	FA	July 26	156	FA	July 26	FA	July 14	FA	FA	July 25	July 14	July 14	1093	522	10521	9124	July 26	July 17	Aug. 4	358
Observance of founding of Reading, Pa.	H. J. Res. 218	June 17	Adm	Adm	June 17	218	Adm	June 17	Adm	July 23	Adm	Adm	July 23	July 23	July 23	1041		9870	10305	July 23	July 26	Aug. 4	359
Support of wool prices.	H. R. 1498	Apr. 15	MMF*	MMF*	Apr. 15	1498	MMF*	Apr. 15	MMF*	June 26	MMF*	MMF*	July 15	June 26	June 26	920	377	10445	9737	July 21	July 26	Aug. 4	360
Transferring land to Secretary of Interior.	H. R. 3043	Apr. 15	MMF*	MMF*	Apr. 15	3043	MMF*	Apr. 15	MMF*	July 23	MMF*	MMF*	July 15	June 26	June 26	920	377	10445	9737	July 21	July 26	Aug. 4	361
Amending the Puerto Rico Organic Act.	H. R. 3309	May 2	PL*	PL*	May 2	3309	PL*	May 2	PL*	July 2	PL*	PL*	May 26	July 2	July 2	455	422	7076	10402	June 16	June 26	Aug. 4	362
Cancellation of FIDC capital stock.	H. R. 1070	Apr. 8	BC*	BC*	Apr. 8	1070	BC*	Apr. 8	BC*	June 19	BC*	BC*	May 24	June 19	June 19	1076	610	10229	7685	July 25	June 26	Aug. 4	363
Authorizing leases on stand-by plans.	H. R. 1198	Apr. 30	AS	AS	Apr. 30	1198	AS	Apr. 30	AS	July 19	AS	AS	June 20	July 19	July 19	633	626	10491	9797	July 26	July 23	Aug. 5	364
Additional inducements for physicians to serve in the armed services.	(H. R. 3471)	July 18	AS*	AS*	July 18	3471	AS*	July 18	AS*	July 18	AS*	AS*	June 25	July 18	July 18	703	608	10467	9818	July 26	July 23	Aug. 5	365
Increasing amount of mortgage insurance authorized under National Housing Act.	(H. R. 3851)	July 23	BC.	BC.	July 23	3851	BC.	July 23	BC.	July 24	BC.	BC.	July 25	July 24	July 24	1105	747	10467	10180	July 26	July 23	Aug. 5	366
Relating to application of income-tax laws to deceased members of armed forces.	(H. R. 4395)	Jan. 6	WM	WM	Jan. 6	4395	WM	Jan. 6	WM	July 24	WM	WM	July 19	July 24	July 24	1006	711	9714	10179	July 22	July 25	Aug. 5	367

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Returning of Italian property in the United States.	S. J. Res. 138	June 26	IFC*	IFC*	July 19	June 26	1069	390	10258	8248	July 25	July 3	Aug. 5	370
Increasing authorization for Coast Guard aviation stations.	H. R. 72	Jan. 3	MMF*	IFC*	June 13	July 23	586	694	9559	9938	July 21	July 24	Aug. 6	371
Amending loan provisions of Federal savings and loan association.	H. R. 2800	Mar. 25	BC*	BC*	May 21	July 21	412	652	6194	9836	June 2	July 23	Aug. 6	372
Relating to duties of Coast and Geodetic Survey.	H. R. 3541	May 20	MMF*	IFC*	July 16	July 23	731	702	8362	9924	July 7	July 24	Aug. 6	373
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Priority for payment from German special deposit account.	H. R. 4043	June 30	IFC*	IFC*	July 17	July 22	973	679	9287	9838	July 18	July 23	Aug. 6	375
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Freezing pay-roll taxes at 1 percent until 1950.	H. R. 3818	June 12	WM	Fin	June 16	July 11	594	477	7221	9038	June 18	July 16	Aug. 6	379
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